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Mrs. R. E. Smith, 451 Kings Highway, Shreveport, chairman.

CALENDAR

January	Annual Reports made at Auxiliary meeting. Pledges and Budgets for year. Pledges reported to District Secretary. Handbook provided for each officer.
February	World-wide Day of Prayer for Missions. Election of Delegates to Annual Meeting. Registration of Delegates.
March	COUNCIL MEETING. Annual Meeting of Louisiana Conference. Executive Committee Meeting.
April	Reports of 1st Quarter, made at Auxiliary Meeting. District Meetings.
May	Study of Conference Yearbook and Minutes. Houma Mission Day.
June	Enlistment Campaign. Conference for Christian Workers, Shreveport, June 21-26. Executive Committee Meeting.
July	Reports of 2nd Quarter made at Auxiliary Meeting. Rural Seminar, Mt. Sequoyah, July 19-26.
August	Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah, July 27-August 10. Leadership School at Lake Junaluska, August 12-26.
September	Coaching Day for Mission Study Leadership. Executive Committee Meeting.
October	Spiritual Life Retreat and Mid-Term Executive Meeting, Houma. Reports of 3rd Quarter made at Auxiliary Meeting.
November	Election of Officers. Send list of Officers to District Secretary at once. Week of Prayer.
December	Harvest Day—Pledges, Offering and Scarritt Maintenance paid in full. Executive Committee Meeting. Installation of Officers. Officers Training Day.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance—

Mrs. W. H. Martin
Mrs. C. C. Carver
Mrs. Robert Wynn, Jr.
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Mrs. H. J. Powers
Mrs. G. W. Dawson
Mrs. W. D. Storms

Visiting Institutions—

Mrs. D. M. Campbell
Mrs. F. H. Kean
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter

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Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.
Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter
Mrs. H. J. Powers
Rev. G. W. Dameron

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Christian Citizenship and Law Observance—
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Mrs. J. W. Worthington, Alexandria.

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Rural Development—
Mrs. W. E. Fine, Homer.

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Mrs. John Foster, 144 Ockley Drive, Shreveport.

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Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Baton Rouge.

Young Women's Work—

Mrs. Zach Hale, Alexandria.
Mrs. Welton Brumfield, Amite.
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Miss Pattee Lawrence, Crowley.
Mrs. Glen Heatherington, New Orleans.
Mrs. Loy Stewart, Arcadia.
Mrs. W. L. Fleming, Shreveport.

ROLL OF REMEMBRANCE

"Because I live ye also shall live."

No! No! not dead, just laid away from sight
To slumber undisturbed through one long night
Instead of many brief ones such as fall
In swift recurrence o'er us one and all.
If thou art glad to lay thy weary head
Upon the pillow of thy nightly bed,
And lose thyself in slumber, wherefore weep
When loved ones rest in nature's dreamless sleep?
Since now we wake when night has passed away
In the old likeness of the former day,
May we not hope to see them face to face
Who in the churchyard have their resting place?
Believe the Master; o'er and o'er He said,
"Why weepest thou? Only asleep—
Not dead——Not dead."

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Mrs. O. K. Tarver
Mrs. Mattie Smith
Mrs. Maggie Pierson

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Mrs. Joe N. Magee
Mrs. G. H. Smith
Mrs. J. M. Burris
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Mrs. R. B. Owens
Mrs. I. L. Pace
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Mrs. A. W. Baird
Mrs. Matt Evans
Mrs. Joe Brown
Mrs. Ed Trickett

PRAYER SPECIALS

(1) Pray that the Bishops' Crusade may result in renewed missionary zeal and world-wide evangelism.

(2) Pray that our Church may rediscover the "warm heart" of Methodism.

(3) Pray by name for Louisiana's consecrated workers as they serve at home and abroad: Misses Ava Morton, Annie Bell Williams, Clara Chalmers, Ella K. Hooper, Ora Hooper, Willie May Porter, Sheila Nuttall, Verna Webster, Bessie Williams, Julia Reid and Marjorie Haggart.

(4) Pray by name for Louisiana's daughters who are spending this year in definite preparation at Scarritt College.

(5) Pray for the new work the Conference is opening at Cedar Grove and for the deaconess appointed to this field.

(6) Pray for **World Peace.**

WEEK OF PRAYER OFFERING FOR 1937

Retirement and Relief Fund for Deaconesses and Missionaries.

Budget for 1937

Council Pledge	$26,000.00
Conference Expense	2,000.00
Total	$28,000.00

ECHOES FROM COUNCIL

The 1938 session of the Woman's Missionary Council will be held in the beautiful Boston Avenue Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"We do not produce power, we appropriate it."—Dr. H. E. Fosdick.

"The road to Aldersgate Street is not a paved highway, nor can we go in streamline cars. A **crusade** suggests a pilgrimage."—Mrs. J. W. Perry.

"There are two forces working against war today: (1) Science and the interrelation of the scientists. (2) Christianity and the fellowship of Christians around the world."—Bishop Francis J. McConnell.

"Good will is the most powerful force in the world for solving economic, social, political, and international problems. If the world crashes there just isn't enough **good will** to hold it up."—Dr. W. T. Watkins.

"Jesus is the mind of God thinking out to man; Jesus is the heart of God feeling out to man; Jesus is the hand of God reaching out to man."—Bishop Arthur Moore.

"There's a difference in a religion that's a **load** and a religion that's a **lift.**"—Dr. W. T. Watkins.

"Is it **right** to exclude one-half of our Church membership from the rights of the ministry?"—Mrs. T. I. Charles, Chairman of Committee on Status of Women.

"The Church at home has not been fair to Africa. We have initiated work then left the Missions to shift for themselves. Reinforcements **must** be sent."—Bishop Arthur Moore.

"Send us your daughters. Christian homes more than anything else give us the type of woman we need on the field."—Miss Katherine Johnson, from Hiroshima Woman's College.

"We are **all** missionaries; we cannot have a missionary Church with all the missionaries on the field." Dr. W. T. Watkins.

"The missionary appeal for support is based on an investment of material resources for building a World Christian Community." —Mrs. J. W. Perry

"Expediency is man's wisdom; **doing right** is God's."

"Be gloriously hopeful, dangerously adventurous"

—Bishop Arthur Moore.

"The Church that dares look forward is the Church that will live."

THE HOMER-HAYNESVILLE CONFERENCE

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference has always been charmingly entertained by hostess cities, but this year, it was doubly so. For, for the first time in its history, this Conference was entertained jointly by two cities.

The welcome of two cities was not only rare and unusual but was cordial, courteous and continuous. There was no mistaking the warmth and sincerity of these neighboring cities, Homer and Haynesville. The daily ministry of lovely flowers, sweet music, delicious and appetizing food and other expressions showed the genuineness of these fine Louisianians.

The pastors, Reverend B. C. Taylor and Reverend B. H. Andrews, were ever present with us and proved to be ideal hosts. Adding interest to the services was the presence of the presiding elder, Reverend Louis Huffpauir, and a host of pastors of Northern Louisiana.

The Conference theme, "The Warm Heart," was indeed typical of this twenty-seventh session of the Louisiana Conference. A deep spiritual atmosphere prevailed throughout the meeting. The early morning hours of worship and meditation were indeed periods of soul enrichment and made up keenly aware of fellowship with the divine Father.

The devotional messages of the pastor hosts, of Miss Julia Reid, Mrs. R. H. Wynn, and Miss Anniemae White deepened our spiritual experiences and challenged us to higher Christian living.

The Conference guests, Miss Anniemae White of Africa, Dr. Pierce Cline of Centenary College, Mrs. Lily Djang and Miss Saito of the Orient, Deaconesses Gatewood, Freeman, Nuttall, Young, Hooper and Webster all contributed largely to the "Homer-Haynesville Conference" and sent us to our homes inspired and dreaming!

"Dreams are they, but they are God's dreams!
Shall we decry them and scorn them?
That men shall love one another,
That white shall call black man brother,
That greed shall pass from the market place,
That lust shall yield to love for the race,
That man shall meet with God face to face—
Dreams are they all.
But shall we withstand them?
God's dreams!"

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

We are deeply thankful that God in His Infinite Mercy and Goodness has brought us together for another annual conference of the Woman's Missionary Society of Louisiana in the lovely little city of Homer with Haynesville as co-hostess.

To the presidents of the hostess auxiliaries and their various committees we express sincere thanks and appreciation for their efficiency and gracious hospitality in the entertainment of their visitors.

To Brother Taylor and Brother Andrews and their wives we extend our thanks.

To the flower committee and those contributing the beautiful flowers we express appreciation.

We are indeed grateful to the music committee responsible for the music so beautifully rendered. We are especially grateful to the Homer choir and the Haynesville Choral Club. Also to those who rendered solos from time to time during our meeting.

We thank the ladies of the First Presbyterian Church for the delightful lunches so beautifully served each day.

To our beloved president and her cabinet we are indeed grateful for their splendid work and leadership.

Our hearts have been warmed by the messages brought to us by our conference guests, Miss Anniemae White, Miss Julia Reid, Mrs. Lily Djang and Miss Itsuko Saito, and Dr. Pierce Cline.

We also express our thanks to our deaconesses and other workers and to each one who contributed to our programs.

To Mrs. Otts Ford, who from time to time gave her stenographic services, we are grateful.

The conference has been deeply inspiring and as we go our separate ways may we carry the message of Missions in Christian living.

"May we follow the Christ way,
Living for Him day by day."

MRS. A. R. HOLLOWAY,

MRS. T. L. CAPPEL

MRS. L. S CLARKE

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE MEETING, WINNFIELD, OCT. 22-23

The first session of the Mid-year Executive Meeting opened promptly at 10:30 Thursday morning, October 22nd, with Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presiding.

Mrs. R. E. Smith conducted the worship hour and read from the 25th chapter of Matthew. She centered her message around the verse "Thou has been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joy of the Lord."

At the close of the worship period Mrs. James Russell, president of the Winnfield auxiliary gave a most hearty welcome to all present.

At the opening of the business session a few moments of silence were observed in memory of our departed fellow-worker, Mrs. R. S. Crichlow, at the close of which Mrs. Martin led in prayer.

The president appointed Mesdames Collins, Dameron and Warren as a committee to draw up resolutions concerning the passing of Mrs. Crichlow.

The roll was called and all officers and district secretaries answered to their names with the exception of Mrs. Davidsen of the Lake Charles District, Mrs. Gillon of the Ruston District and Mrs. Wren of the Shreveport District. All were detained because of illness.

Reports of officers was the first order of business. Interesting verbal reports were made by Mrs. Sexton, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Ledbetter and Mrs. Pollard. Mrs. Martin presented the Conference with a very attractive, as well as interesting Life Membership Book, which carried all names of life members in the Louisiana Conference. From Mrs. Ledbetter's report it was noted with great joy that the membership of the Louisiana Conference had gone over the 7,000 mark for the first time.

After much discussion concerning distribution of the minutes, on motion of Mrs. Ledbetter it was voted that mailing lists be supplied the printer and that minutes be mailed direct to auxiliary presidents except when they could be gotten to the district secretaries in time to be distributed at district meetings.

On motion of Mrs. Collins it was voted that the district secretaries in time to be distributed a disrict meetings.
must include number of circles in auxiliaries.

The meeting adjourned for luncheon.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President.
MRS. J. B. POLLARD, Secretary.

At the noon hour the members of the Executive Committee were met in the dining room of the church by a number of ladies of the

local auxiliary where a most delicious luncheon was served. The table was a bower of colorful fall flowers and Hallowe'en favors were much in evidence. The noon hour proved to be a real social occasion.

Thursday Afternoon Session

The quiet hour and meditation was conducted by Mrs. Sexton. Rev. K. W. Dodson, pastor host, gave a helpful devotional talk and prayer was offered by Mrs. Dameron.

The business session was opened. Minutes of the morning session were read and adopted. Reports of the officers were continued. Mrs. Carver made a financial report by districts of the first three quarters and stated she felt sure the Conference pledge to Council would be paid in full. Mrs. Powers reported that there were 44 young women's circles in the Conference and that four had integrated and four new circles had been formed.

Mrs. Dameron reported that 71 subscriptions to the World Outlook had been gained and plans were under way to make a definite increase in subscriptions during November.

Mrs. Collins' report showed that coaching days had been held in each district. She suggested that since the 1937 study would be on rural work that a team composed of the Superintendent of Study, Superintendent of Christian Social Relations and the Conference Rural Worker conduct coaching days in all districts.

Mrs. Metcalf reported much information and inspiration had been gained by attending the School for Christian Living held at Scarritt College and spoke enthusiastically of plans for promoting her work.

Mrs. Woodard spoke most earnestly concerning the work at St. Mark's and McDonnell School. She had on display a very beautiful antique diamond cluster ring that had been given her by a Missionary woman to be sold and the proceeds given to McDonnell School.

On motion of Mrs. Ledbetter it was voted that the estimates committee of the Council be petitioned by this Conference to increase its appropriation for McDonnell School.

Mrs. R. E. Smith, director of Spiritual Life, stated that the aim of the Spiritual Life work was to deepen spiritual experiences so that there may be a creative power released. She reported 62 spiritual life groups.

The next order of business was the reports of standing committees.

Mrs. Martin, Chairman of Finance Committee, reported con-

cerning Houma Day offerings and life memberships.

On motion of Mrs. Collins, it was voted that where district secretaries find that boxes can profitably be used and have the boxes on hand that they may be used for Houma Day offerings.

Mrs. Powers, Chairman of Committee on Status of Women, reported that this work was being prompted through zones.

Mrs. Ledbetter reported for the Committee on Visiting Institutions and stated she had visited McDonnell School and Jubilee Inn.

Mrs. Sexton, Chairman of Candidate Committee, reported that there are four Louisiana girls now attending Scarritt, two on scholarships and two on their own expenses. They are Misses Marjorie Haggart, Patricia McHugh, Olive Scales and Helen Mandlebaum.

The next order of business was to elect a secretary of children's work to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Crichlow. Mrs. J. M. Eichers of Baton Rouge was unanimously elected.

The hour of adjourning having arrived the meeting was dismissed.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President.
MRS. J. B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Thursday Night Session

The meeting was called to order by the president and prayer was led by Mrs. Carver.

Minutes of the afternoon session were read, corrected and adopted.

The resignation of Mrs. Ed Gillen, district secretary of the Ruston District and Mrs. A. E. Woodard, Conference Superintendent of Supplies, were read and accepted with regret.

It was voted that expressions of appreciation be sent these consecrated workers.

A discussion on a Conference-wide Retreat followed.

On motion of Mrs. Ledbetter it was voted that a Conference-wide Retreat be held in connection with the Mid-year Executive Meeting and that a committee be appointed to make plans. Mesdames Smith, Metcalf and Dameron were named by the president to this committee.

The matter of the Conference expense fund was discussed and referred to Mrs. Ledbetter's committee for action.

The work of the new Standing Committee on Young Women's Circles was considered and referred to Mrs. Powers to plan the work for the members of this committee.

On motion of Mrs. Metcalf, it was voted to make a special effort to bring young women to Conference next spring and to con-

sider sending one to the Council meeting in 1938.

The election of alternates to Council was held. Mrs. Pollard was elected as alternate for Mrs. Sexton and Mrs. Collins for Mrs. Ledbetter.

Mesdames Pollard, Ledbetter and Martin were named as a committee on Conference program to serve with the president.

On motion of Mrs. Metcalf it was voted that the Christian Social Relations quarterly letter gotten out by Mrs. Newell to auxiliaries be mailed with literature by Mrs. Dameron.

The meeting adjourned so that committee meetings might be held.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President.
MRS. J. B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Friday Morning Session

The Quiet Hour was led jointly by Mrs. Ledbetter and Mrs. Metcalf who brought messages from the School for Christian Living held at Scarritt College recently. Mrs. Ledbetter brought a message of a personal side of the Christian life, and Mrs. Metcalf of the social side of the Christian life. A lively discussion followed concerning the present day challenge of Christian living.

The business session was opened and the minutes of the Thursday night session were read and adopted.

A telegraphic message was read from Mrs. Eichers stating she would accept the office of Secretary of Children's Work.

Rev. G. W. Dameron, Conference Educational Director, was presented and spoke on the Pastors' School to be held at Centenary College in June. Courses of study pertaining to women's work were discussed.

Mrs. Collins read suggestions from Mrs. Bourne concerning the school. On motion of Mrs. Collins it was voted that the current mission study course be taught.

Available teachers were discussed and it was voted to ask Miss Mabel K. Howell.

On motion of Mrs. Ledbetter it was voted that the larger auxiliaries be urged to send the auxiliary mission study superintendent to the Pastors' School and that each zone provide expense for one representative for the course.

It was moved by Mrs. Metcalf and voted that we recommend to Conference that the latter part of Article 5 of the Standing Rules be changed to read "district secretaries will be allowed up to $25.00 additional to promote the work of her district."

On motion of Mrs. Martin it was voted that board and registration of the district secretaries be paid by the Conference to the

Pastors' School and that they be allowed to choose their own alternates if they cannot attend.

The following petition to the Council Estimates Committee was read by Mrs. Ledbetter and voted:

"Due to the enlarged scope of work at the McDonnell French Mission School, the attendance having increased to full capacity, and the many needs having been multiplied, we, the women of the Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference, petition the Estimates Committee to the effect that

"The appropriations for the support of this home and school be increased sufficiently to supply these needs in a more adequate way."

The Conference Program Committee offered the following recommendations and were voted.

1. That Conference be held during the first week of April, opening Tuesday evening and closing Thursday evening or Friday morning.

2. That Mrs. Perry be sent an official invitation to be our Council guest. That Mrs. Mills be invited if Mrs. Perry is unable to accept.

3. That Miss McKinnon, and a national who will be attending the Mississippi Conference, be asked to attend an evening session.

4. That one of the afternoon programs be on Christian Social Relations and that the Committee select a speaker.

5. That Mrs. Pollard be asked to investigate the advisability of using a pageant.

The Rural Committee submitted the following report which was adopted

We, the Rural Committee of Woman's Missionary Louisiana Conference, after consideration of the needs of rural work in the Monroe District are decided that Miss Shiela Nuttall, rural deaconess, will work for the years 1936-37 on the Macon Ridge in West Carroll Parish beginning on the Oak Grove charge.

The committee discussed the advisability of a Parish-wide approach touching all of our churches in West Carroll Parish where needed. Extending this work as soon as possible to the entire Macon Ridge.

Committee—

MRS. D. C. METCALF,
MRS. S. M. COLLINS,
MRS. E. C. GIBSON,
REV. H. L. JOHNS.

The Committee on Planning Conference-Wide Retreat reported a few general plans

Mrs. R. E. Smith asked what part of the work would receive special emphasis in the immediate future months. An expression was made by the executive body that emphasis would be placed on the departments of Spiritual Life and Christian Social Relations.

On motion of Mrs. Pollard it was voted that Mrs. Collins be sent to Pastors' School and expenses paid and that she arrange coaching days with the district secretaries and that her expenses be paid to direct coaching days in every district.

A letter was read from Rev. A. C. Lawton concerning the stationing of a deaconess at Cedar Grove Church.

On motion of Mrs. Collins and amended by Mrs. Metcalf, it was voted that the Council pledge be increased $1,000, to be applied to the salary of a trained worked for work in the Louisiana Conference.

The executive body voted hearty approval and endorsement of the Christian Social Relations Federation of New Orleans.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

Since God, in His infinite wisdom, has taken from our midst our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. R. S. Crichlow, and since, by her love of Missions and her devotion to the Children's Work, she has endeared herself to all and has become a source of blessing to many; Be It Resolved:

1. That the Executive Body of the Woman's Missionary Society express to the members of the family of Mrs. Crichlow its heartfelt sympathy in their loss. Her interest and zeal in the cause of Missionary progress are missed. Those with whom and for whom she served will long feel the influence of this strong, beautiful Christian character.

2. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes, a copy sent to the family, and one to the Missionary News.

(MRS.) BLANCHE R. COLLINS, Chairman.
(MRS.) ESTELLE D. DAMERON, Secretary.

As time had arrived for adjournment nominations of a conference superintendent of supplies and district secretaries to fill unexpired terms were left to a committee on nominations.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Another lovely luncheon was served by the hostess auxiliary and at this time Mrs. R. E. Smith expressed the appreciation and thanks of the executive body for the many courtesies shown them.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President.
MRS. J. B. POLLARD, Secretary.

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS HELD IN HOMER

Tuesday Morning

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference met promptly Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, March 30th, with Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presiding.

The Scripture and meditation were given by Mrs. Sexton, after which all joined in prayer. The roll was called, which showed that nearly all officers and district secretaries were present. After setting the time for the next executive meeting for 3:30 P. M. Thursday, Mrs. Sexton stated that the Council was stressing more and more the training of leaders for the work. Mrs. Ledbetter read a letter from Mrs. Bourne of the Council asking that the Louisiana Conference send five district secretaries to a Rural Seminar to be held at Mt. Sequoyah in July. The letter also stated that the Council would provide fifty dollars ($50) for the board and registration of the five secretaries.

After some discussion, on motion of Mrs. Collins, it was voted that the Louisiana Conference provide the expense of cars for all of the district secretaries or their substitutes to attend the Rural Seminar to be held at Mt. Sequoyah in July and that the Conference provide board and registration for the two not provided for by the Council.

The matter of substitutes was referred to Mrs. Ledbetter's committee.

After discussing the matter of the car expense of the rural deaconess, on motion of Mrs. Pollard it was voted that the monthly car expense of the rural worker be increased $5.00.

Mrs. Sexton told of a gift presented by the Conference to our Conference daughter, Marjorie Haggart, who is finishing her work at Scarritt this year and who was consecrated at the Council meeting in Columbia, S. C. Also, a gift was presented to Mrs. J. N. McDonald of Leesville, a former district secretary whose home was burned to the ground recently. A letter of appreciation was read from Mrs. McDonald.

After some discussion concerning the placing of a deaconess in the Ruston District, on motion of Mr. Woodard it was voted that Mrs. Metcalf and Mrs. Kinnebrew be made a committee to confer with Rev. Louis Hoffpauir, presiding elder, and bring back a report to the Executive Committee on Thursday. The meeting adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Pollard.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,

MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Tuesday Afternoon

The meeting was called to order by the president, and Mrs. W. T. Cunningham gave a short devotional, centering her message around the thought of "The Warm Heart." Prayer was led by Mrs. Cunningham.

A report from the committee planning the Conference-wide Retreat was made by Mrs. R. E. Smith. She stated that the Retreat would be held at McDonnell School in the early fall and that fifty-five (55) people could be accommodated. It is to be a Retreat for soul enrichment.

On motion of Mrs. Ledbetter it was voted that car expense be provided by the Conference for those who will be invited to attend.

Mrs. Roger Sharp of New Orleans was nominated and elected Chairman of the Citizenship and Law Observance Committee, and Mrs. J. W. Worthington of Alexandria was nominated and elected Chairman of the International Relations and World Peace Committee on the Bureau of Christian Social Relations.

Rev. Louis Hoffpauir, presiding elder of the Ruston District, was introduced and spoke on a situation at Hodge, where 500 girls are working in a bag factory. He stated that there was no way for the Church to reach these girls without the services of a deaconess and that he felt it was a great opportunity for service for the Louisiana Conference Missionary Society. This matter was referred to a committee composed of Mesdames Metcalf and Kinnebrew to investigate and to report to the Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting.

On motion of Mrs. Metcalf it was voted that the new deaconess to be employed by the Louisiana Conference be placed at the Cedar Grove Church.

On motion of Mrs. Collins, it was voted that the number of copies of the minutes to be printed be increased to eleven hundred (1100).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Tuesday Night Session

The twenty-seventh annual session of the Louisiana Conference was opened by singing "Lead On, Oh King Eternal," Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presiding.

The Scripture reading and prayer were led by the pastor host, Rev. B. C. Taylor. Warm words of welcome were extended

to the Conference by Mrs. Henry Horton, president of the Homer Auxiliary to which Mrs. Sexton graciously responded.

The theme of the evening's program was "Answering the City's Call."

Deaconess Mary Freeman of Jubilee Inn, Shreveport, spoke most earnestly concerning the home life of this Christian home for business girls.

Deaconess Margaret Young, head resident of St. Mark's Community Center, gave a most informing talk on mission work in the foreign quarters of New Orleans.

The anthem "The Hallelujah Chorus" was sung by the Homer choir.

Deaconess Grace Gatewood told in a most interesting manner the duties and experiences of a church deaconess in a large city. Rev. A. C. Lawton, pastor of Cedar Grove Church spoke on the need for a trained worker in a great industrial center at Cedar Grove and stated that it was a great Protestant field. He asked that this Conference support a deaconess for a time at Cedar Grove Church.

The evening service closed with Holy Communion conducted by Rev. B. C. Taylor, who was assisted by all visiting preachers.

The benediction "My Peace I Leave With You, My Peace I Give Unto You," was sung by the choir.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Wednesday Morning Session

A spiritual life prayer service was conducted by Mrs. B. C. Taylor. "Beautiful Garden of Prayer" was sung by Mrs. Harry Westall. Rev. B. C. Taylor brought a most helpful message emphasizing the "Evergreens" in Jesus' garden and the "forgetmenots" in our own gardens.

At the conclusion of the prayer service Mrs. Sexton called the Conference to order and the organization and the seating of delegates took place. The minutes of the Mid-year Executive Meeting, held in Winnfield October 22-23, were read by the secretary, Mrs. Pollard. The minutes of the Tuesday morning executive meeting were read and adopted.

The following committees were appointed and read by the president: Examining Minutes, Mrs. F. J. Mechlin, Mrs. W. H. Wallace, Jr., and Mrs. Edgar Houston; Resolutions, Mrs. A. R. Holloway, Mrs. T. L. Cappel, Mrs. Lewis Clarke; Distributing and Collecting Tellers, Mrs. Clarence Shaffer, Mrs. W. A. Gray, Mrs. Glenn Laskey; Counting Tellers, Mrs. W. D. Storms, Mrs. A. A. McKnight and Mrs. W. H. Bain.

The Committee on Registrations reported that 152 officers and delegates had registered.

Mrs. W. H. Martin, vice-president, took the chair and presented Mrs. Sexton, who gave her annual message. She opened by saying "We meet again to record the closing of a year's work, 12 months of devoted and consecrated service by the missionary women of Louisiana and to turn our faces toward the open doors of opportunity and privilege." (See president's message.)

Mrs. W. H. Martin, Conference vice-president, gave her annual report stressing the finances of the Conference. (See vice-president's report.)

The annual financial report of the Conference was made by Mrs. C. C. Carver, treasurer. (See minutes.)

The report of the auditor, Mr. R. H. Agate of Lafayette, was sent to the record. It showed that a detailed audit of the books of the treasurer had been made and that the books and records had been found in excellent condition. (See minutes.)

The Field Work of the Conference was presented by Mrs. Ledbetter and the seven district secretaries. A map of the state of Louisiana was before the Conference and as each secretary reported, her district was outlined on the map in colors. Mrs. Ledbetter stated that there were seven real powerhouses scattered throughout the state and all were connected with the great dynamo at Nashville. The district secretaries in their reports showed that each auxiliary is connected with the main battery at Nashville.

Mrs. Dunford reported for the Alexandria district and said that Spiritual Life groups had been stressed and that 20 out of 31 auxiliaries had overpaid their pledges. (See minutes.)

Mrs. Fairchild's report for the Baton Rouge district showed that district had overpaid its pledge. (See minutes.)

Mrs. Davidson's report of the Lake Charles district showed that district, too, had overpaid its pledge. (See minutes.)

Mrs. E. C. Gibson, who reported for the Monroe district, stated that the emphasis in her district had been placed on Christian Social Relations and Spiritual Life groups. (See minutes.)

Mrs. J. W. Warren, who has served faithfully for two years as district secretary of the New Orleans district, was not able to be present at the Conference meeting and Mrs. S. A. Castles made the report of this district. She emphasized the fact that in this district the missionary funds were being increased and local funds decreased. (See minutes.)

Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew, who finished Mrs. Gillon's year in the Ruston district, stressed the fact that that district led the Conference in supply work. (See minutes.)

Mrs. Wren, of the Shreveport district, reported that her dis-

trict had led the Conference in life memberships and Houma scholarships.

The hour of Field Work was closed with a resume of the work of the entire Conference given by Mrs. Ledbetter. (See minutes.)

The devotional hour was opened with special music by the Homer auxiliary. The message was brought by Miss Anniemae White, missionary from Africa, who used for her subject "Experiencing Christ." It was a personal message. She shared with us what Christ personally meant to her as she serves her Lord in that far-away country. She told how Christ, the Father, had been experienced in times of silence, in her daily services to the natives, in times of sadness, in times of joy. She closed by saying "Today I have no doubts. He is my Saviour, my Redeemer, my Friend. Every promise He has made has been fulfilled."

A most profitable hour was spent in discussing the "Rural Situation in Louisiana."

Rev. H. L. Johns spoke on the "Challenge of the Rural Church" and stated that our own S-Methodist Church is a rural church. The membership shows that 1,000,000 members live in the cities, while 1,750,000 live in the open country. He closed by saying "We as a church are not planning to leave the country but win it—win it with trained leadership and love.

Deaconess Shiela Nuttall, rural worker, gave an account of her active service in the rural areas of the Monroe District. (See minutes.)

Miss Ella Hooper told of her 20 years work at McDonnell School. She stated she had brought some friends with her to tell the story of the years. She introduced Mrs. Deserie Bergeron, Misses Pearl and Loricia Neal and Miss Lydia Blanchard, who told what McDonnell School had meant to them. Miss Blanchard sang "Transformed." (See report of McDonnell School.)

Mrs. W. C. McDonald spoke on "A Model Rural Church" and opened by saying that no such thing existed at present but was the hope of the future. Her message closed by saying that "The destiny of the rural church is making religion practical."

Dr. George Snellings of Memorial Mercy Home was introduced and told the women how very much the saving of coupons meant financially to the home and urged the co-operation of the women throughout the state.

Rev. B. C. Taylor spoke for Reverend Dameron and announced the Pastors' School to be held at Centenary College June 21-26.

After the introduction of all visiting pastors the meeting was dismissed with the benediction.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened with the singing of the hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory."

The devotional was given by Mrs. R. H. Wynn, who said "Christ invites us to a life of suffering—to drink of the cup of which He drank and to get under the burden of our less privileged brothers."

The hymn "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" was sung. A very lovely recognition service of life members was conducted by Mrs. W. H. Martin. Life members were divided into various groups and each group was represented in living pictures. The following groups were represented in the pictures: babies, young women, faithful auxiliary officers, beloved pastors' wives, faithful wives, our mothers, the older women, zone leaders, deaconesses, and Conference officers. The pictures closed with the names of four life mmbers who had passed away this past year. They were Mrs. R. S. Crichlow, Mrs. J. D. Korki, Mrs. Cora Baird, and Mrs. Maggie Pierson. Mrs. Dawson sang "Ring the Golden Bells."

Surprise life memberships were presented to Mrs. Robert Brown by the Mangum Memorial auxiliary and to Mrs. Guy Kinnebrew by the Homer auxiliary.

The work of the Christian Social Relations department was presented by Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, Conference superintendent, Mrs. Marlin Drake, chairman of citizenship, Mrs. W. E. Fine, chairman of rural work, and Mrs. John Foster, chairman of Interracial work.

Mrs. Drake stated that temperance, health, voting and better movies comprised the citizenship program.

Mrs. Fine spoke of the many rural activities carried on by many auxiliaries in the Conference and of the splendid work of the Conference rural worker, Deaconess Nuttall.

Mrs. Foster spoke of the negroes, Indians, Anglo-Saxons and other races living in Louisiana to whom we should minister.

Miss Suzie Lyons, chairman of Industrial Relations sent an illuminating report concerning conditions in the industrial world, particularly regarding working conditions for women and children.

Mrs. Metcalf closed this interesting discussion by stating that we were not growing in this department as we should and asked that each auxiliary rethink their Christian Social Relations program and activities.

A very helpful panel discussion on "Young Women's Circles" was led by Mrs. H. J. Powers and Mrs. Sexton. A group of young women seated on the platform discussed the following interesting questions: "What do young women think of missions, what are the best methods of integrating, how can we bridge the gap between the Church School and the Missionary Society, do Missionary So-

societies want young women to take responsibilities," and many other interesting questions.

The meeting closed with the benediction by Reverend Dufresne.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Wednesday Night Session

The evening service, which was held in the Haynesville Church, was opened with the singing of the hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life." Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presided.

The Scripture and prayer were given by Rev. B. H. Andrews, pastor host.

"Blessings and the Lord's Prayer" were sung by the Haynesville Choral Club.

Greetings and welcome from the Haynesville Auxiliary were extended to the Conference by Mrs. T. H. Arnold, president.

A "surprise" number of the program was the presentation of two life memberships. One was given to Mrs. S. J. Beene by the Haynesville Auxiliary, the other to Mrs. Dora McEachern by her children.

The anthem "Praise the Lord" was most beautifully rendered by the Haynesville Choral Club.

Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter presented and introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. Pierce Cline, who spoke on "Christian Citizenship." A few vital statements of Dr. Cline follow: "Citizenship will express itself by the choice of people it puts in power * * * Citizenship determines all other values, therefore we want a citizenship that is intelligent, progressive and upright * * * Christian citizenship, could there be anything finer, nobler, holier, or more desirable? * * * In the entire life of Jesus, we find example after example of a good citizen. * * * The teachings of Jesus on every occasion are good instruction in citizenship. * * A good citizen finds happiness here and a home in heaven."

The benediction was pronounced by Reverend Andrews.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Thursday Morning Session

The early morning spiritual life prayer service was led by Mrs. R. E. Smith. A solo "Sweet Hour of Prayer" was sung.

Rev. B. H. Andrews brought a message pertaining to the social aspect of the Gospel of Christ.

The president called the meeting to order. The chairman of the committee on minutes reported that the minutes for Tuesday

night and Wednesday morning sessions had been examined and found correct.

Mrs. J. E. Butler, president of the Arkansas Conference of the Methodist Protestant Women was introduced and brought greetings from the women of Arkansas.

Tellers distributed ballots and ballots were cast for a secretary of Children's Work.

Two invitations were extended the Conference for the place of meeting for 1938. Mrs. C. I. Jones, president of the Baton Rouge Auxiliary, extended a most gracious invitation from that society and Mrs. W. L. Doss of Lake Charles cordially invited the Conference to Lake Charles. The count was taken and Baton Rouge was chosen.

A very impressive pledge service was conducted by Mrs. C. C. Carver, Conference treasurer, assisted by a number of ladies. Scripture verses bearing on "giving" were read and the word "co-operation" was spelled. "Take My Life and Let It Be" was sung. The district secretaries pledged the following amounts: Alexandria, $2,900; Baton Rouge, $3,000; Lake Charles, $3,000; Monroe, $4,300; New Orleans, $3,400; Ruston, $3,900; Shreveport, $7,500. Mrs. Martin, Conference vice-president, announced the total pledge for 1937 for the Louisiana Conference was $28,000. The pledge service was closed with prayer by Mrs. Carver.

The tellers reported that Mrs. J. M. Eichers had received a large majority of votes and was elected Conference Secretary of Children's Work.

Ballots were distributed and cast for Superintendent of Supplies.

A letter of greeting to the Conference was received from our Conference daughter, Miss Ava Morton, from which Mrs. Sexton read a few lines.

On motion of Mrs. S. A. Castles it was voted that if no majority was reached on the first ballot for a Superintendent of Supplies, that the three receiving the largest number of votes be introduced to the Conference and the second ballot be taken in the afternoon.

On motion of Mrs. Hightower and amended by Mrs. Ledbetter, it was voted that the Executive Committee appoint a look-out committee whose duty would be to look for good material to fill Conference offices.

The recommendations from the Sessions Committee on Education and Promotion were read, explained and adopted.

Report of the tellers showed that Mesdames Jones, Raggio and A. R. Holloway had received the largest number of votes for Superintendent of Supplies and were introduced to the Conference.

Mrs. H. J. Powers gave the year's reports of Young Women's

Circles which showed that more and more young women are coming in to the work and taking an active part.

Mrs. McClanahan of Shreveport read a summary of the Panel Discussion on young women's work. On motion of Mrs. John Foster it was voted that these findings be included in the printed minutes. (See minutes.)

Mrs. S. M. Collins, Superintendent of Bible and Mission Study gave a report of the year's work. She stated that the results of Mission Study were changed attitudes of many toward people of other races. (See minutes for report.)

Recommendations from the Committee on Mission and Bible Study were read, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

On motion of Mrs. Ledbetter it was voted that wherever duplication of recommendations from the various committees exist that the secretary edit these reports for publication and eliminate duplications.

Mrs. J. M. Eichers gave the highlights of the year's work for the children which showed the children of many Church Schools had taken much interest in the Missionary Units offered and had contributed $755.98 through fourth Sunday offerings. (See minutes.)

Recommendations from the Committee on Children's Work were read, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

Mrs. Woodard, Superintendent of Supplies in her original way reported a year's work in a most unique manner. A clothes line stretched across the front of the church carried the idea that prayers had brought the needed supplies to Jubilee Inn, McDonnell School and St. Mark's Community Center.

Mrs. Woodard and Miss Pearl Neal gave a clever little skit showing the great need for a laundry at McDonnell School.

The district secretaries each with a washboard in hand pledged the support of their district for this greatly needed laundry and left the washboards (the old-time implements) on the altar.

Mrs. Woodard stated that a very beautiful diamond cluster ring, which had been given by a missionary woman, had been sold and the proceeds sent to McDonnell School.

The hour was closed with prayer by Deaconess Grace Gatewood.

The devotional hour having arrived, special music was given by two Homer ladies.

Miss Julia Reid, Louisiana's own missionary daughter, now doing rural work in the Little Rock Conference, brought the devotional message, using for her subject "Today's World Parish." She said "if we do not have the world as our parish, our friends might well question if we are Christians."

Mrs. Lily Djang and Miss Itsuko Saito, students from Dodd

College, Shreveport, were presented to the Conference and brought messages from China and Japan.

Mrs. Djang told of the influence of Christian Missions today in China, also of a year spent in the Laura Haygood Normal School. Miss Saito said although she was a Japanese she had lived in Hawaii most of her life. She stated that she and seven brothers and sisters had become Christians, but her parents, who are deeply rooted in Shintoism had not yet accepted Christ. She asked the prayers of all for her parents.

Although Miss Anniemae White, missionary, was not scheduled to speak at the morning session, so many who could not remain for the night session had asked to hear her that she spoke for a few moments of the work of the Woman's Missionary Council in Africa. She gave a most vivid picture of this needy field.

After the introduction of a few visiting pastors the benediction was pronounced by Doctor Serex.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Thursday Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened with a Service of Remembrance honoring those who had passed away since last Conference. This was conducted by Mrs. G. W. Dameron, assisted by the district secretaries, who were dressed in white robes and carried lighted candles. The hymn "For All the Saints, Who From Their Labors Rest" was sung.

Candles were lighted in remembrance of departed ones as the district secretaries read their names.

A tiny little girl, Le Ann Taylor, lighted a candle for all the children of Louisiana in memory of Mrs. R. S. Crichlow. (See minutes for Roll of Remembrance.)

The service closed with prayer by Mrs. Dameron. Ballots were distributed and cast for the office of the Superintendent of Supplies.

Mrs. Ledbetter, Chairman of Committee on Nominations presented the name of Mrs. J. H. Thatcher of Houma to serve as district secretary of New Orleans District to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. J. W. Warren.

The Conference ratified the nomination and Mrs. Thatcher was elected.

Mrs. G. W. Dameron made the report of the Department of Literature and Publicity.

She displayed a number of posters, illustrating the various types of literature prepared for Missionary Societies.

She stated that the conference goal for World Outlook subscriptions is 1,650.

Mrs. Dameron presented the loving cup to the Wesley Auxiliary of the Monroe District for having the largest per cent of its church members subscribing to the World Outlook.

Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, Associate Editor of the Louisiana News, spoke regarding this helpful paper and asked the cooperation of missionary women by sending in the news.

The tellers reported the result of the ballot for Superintendent of Supplies and as no majority was reached a third ballot was distributed and cast.

Mrs. W. M. Ledbetter, Conference Secretary, brought a most illuminating and helpful report of the meeting of the Women's Missionary Council which was held in Columbia, S. C., March 9-15, 1937. She said the work was showing definite progress in foreign and home lands, and progressive steps in the Christian Social Relations Department. The financial report of Council showed $10,000 increase in income in 1936. She spoke of the stirring messages by Bishops Arthur Moore and Dr. W. T. Watkins. She told of the impressive consecration service when Bishop Kern consecrated a number of young women for life service. (See Echoes of Council.)

Mrs. R. E. Smith, Conference director of Spiritual Life, brought a stirring message concerning our individual spiritual lives. She called for personal testimonies concerning spiritual life groups and use of the Upper Room to which many responded. (See Minutes for Report.)

Recommendations of the Standing Committee on Spiritual Life and Message were read, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

Mrs. Gilman McConnell, Chairman of Scarritt Associates, made a most interesting report of her year's work for this most worthwhile institution. Her report showed $206.52 raised in this Conference for Scarritt College. (See minutes for report.)

The report of the tellers showed that Mrs. C. I. Jones had received a majority vote and was elected Conference Superintendent of Supplies.

Brother Seegars, director of Golden Cross, spoke a word concerning this work and asked the co-operation of the Conference.

Mrs. S. M. Collins stated there was no report from the Standing Committee on By-Laws.

Recommendations from the Standing Committee on Finance were read, discussed and adopted. (See minutes.)

The recommendations of the Standing Committee on Status of Women were read, discussed and adopted. There was no report from the Committee on Visiting Institutions, but Mrs. Sexton stated that all institutions had been visited by the committee.

Mrs. Sexton, Chairman of Committee on Candidates made her annual report. (See minutes.)

A resolution concerning Child Labor Amendment from the Department of Christian Social Relations was read and adopted.

Other resolutions concerning current legislation were read and filed for educational purposes. (See minutes.)

The afternoon session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Carolyn Dawson.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

Thursday Night Session

The night service opened with the singing of the hymn "The Morning Light Is Breaking," Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., presiding.

The scripture reading and prayer were given by Rev. Louis Hoffpauir, presiding elder of the Ruston District.

The Committee on Minutes reported that they had examined the minutes of Wednesday afternoon, Wednesday night, Thursday morning and Thursday afternoon sessions and found them correct.

Mrs. A. R. Holloway of the Committee on Resolutions read the report expressing thanks to all for the many courtesies shown during our stay in Homer and Haynesville. This report was unanimously adopted. (See minutes.)

Special music was rendered by the choir.

Miss Anniemae White, Missionary to Africa, was the speaker of the evening. Her subject was "Out of Africa."

A few highlights of her address: "If you would see one in real grief, see a woman who knows not Christ, lose her baby * * * An African woman's life is one of drudgery, for she does all the work. * * * Our little girls stay in the boarding schools until they are married—they dare not go back home for fear of child marriage.* * * It is through the African himself that we reach the multitude. Women of the Missionary Societies often walk 20 miles to go to zone meetings. * * * Our work is just begun in Africa—we need workers, we need doctors, dentists, teachers, carpenters, evangelists. * * * I, too, can say with David Livingston that 'Lo, I am with you always' were surely the words of a gentleman. * * * We go to Africa to get under the load, to lift, to forget that we are white. * * * We would be dangerously adventurous for Christ."

After singing the hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," the 27th annual session of the Louisiana Conference was closed with the benediction by Rev. B. C. Taylor, pastor host.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR., President,
MRS. JOHN B. POLLARD, Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"The corridors of time are full of doors—the portals of closed years."

"A door that offers wide and effective service stands open before me." 1st Cor. 16-9.

We meet again to record the closing of a year's work, 12 months of devoted and consecrated service by the missionary women of Louisiana, and to turn our faces toward the open doors of opportunity and privilege. Nineteen hundred thirty-six has been a good year, with major emphasis on the home field, since we were celebrating the Golden Jubilee of Home Missions. The Week of Prayer offering for rural projects enabled the council to open up work in a good many isolated sections and brought special benefit to Louisiana in the way of a deaconess, Miss Mary Beth Littlejohn, for the Indian work at Dulac. The home mission book, "Preface to Racial Understanding," was studied with a great deal of interest and served to strengthen interracial co-operation throughout the south. Far-reaching results in better understanding and improved conditions have been reported.

Our membership has steadily increased and for the first time exceeds 7,000. Of these a large number are **young** women who have come into the adult socities and are carrying their full share of responsibility. A Panel Discussion by young women at council revealed the fact that they **wanted** to be cultivated by the older women and given places of responsibility in the society. There are still thousands of women, however, who are missing the joys of fellowship and service which the missionary society affords, and these must be enlisted.

Again, we are happy to report, our council pledge is paid in full, every district except Monroe and Shreveport going ahead of last year. "A door that offers wide and effective service" opens for us at Cedar Grove, so we are increasing our Council pledge to cover the salary of a deaconess for the 66th Street Methodist Church. Surely with the material blessings which are ours in Louisiana, we will raise this extra $1,000 joyfully. About $1,400 was given the past year in life memberships. That money, like mercy, is twice blessed; added to the joy of those receiving the loving tribute, is the good the money will do. Effective work has been done in our Conference in promoting the Co-operative Plan for missionary education of children. The units have been widely used, many more children reached than formerly, and the fourth Sunday offerings have steadily increased. Last year Mrs. Fulton's report showed $448.63, while this year the amount is $755.98. Louisiana led all the Conferences in the amount of supplies to Council institutions, and it is with sincere regret that we accept the resignation of Mrs.

Woodard, who has carried this work on her heart for five years with phenomenal results. She promises to continue working for the laundry which is such a pressing need at McDonnell School. Although Louisiana carried off no honors at Council for largest gifts or largest per capita offerings, we still made a good financial showing. Ranking 19th among the 39 Conferences in membership, we stand 12th in amount of gifts.

There has been a growing interest in Scarritt College, due, we feel, to Mr. Moreland's visit to our Conference last spring and to the splendid promotion work of our Chairman, Mrs. Gilman McConnell. Four young women from Louisiana have been attending Scarritt this year preparing themselves for Christian service. One of them, Marjorie Haggart, from Vinton, was consecrated at Columbia and will be recommended for appointment in May. In a letter to the Conference she says "On Sunday night, March 14th, when I was consecrated, I thought of my Louisiana friends and thanked God for you and your interest in His work which prompted you to make my training at Scarritt possible. As I go out to serve I feel inadequate, but have the assurance that God will ever be present to guide and strengthen, and that you are back of me with interest and prayers."

Several opportunities have come this year for better equipping our Conference leaders. Mrs. Metcalf, Mrs. Ledbetter, Miss Nuttall and your president, who substituted for the Spiritual Life leader at the last minute, drove to Nashville in September to attend the School for Christian Living. District secretaries and District Spiritual Life leaders were given the opportunity of attending the Conference for Christian Workers at Centenary in June. District secretaries or alternates are to attend this year. Dates for the school this summer are June 21st to 26th, and societies are urged to send their Mission and Bible Study leaders and others if possible. Mrs. W. B. Landrum of Texas will teach the course on Leadership for Mission Study groups.

We are planning a Conference-wide Retreat next fall in line with the Bishops' Crusade for deeper spiritual power and greater missionary zeal. The time seems right for our whole church to move forward, to think less of foes and dangers and more of power and program. We shall try to re-capture the "Warm Heart" of Methodism.

Eighty-nine years ago, on April 23rd, Benjamin Jenkins and Charles Taylor were sent out as the first foreign missionaries of the Methodist Church, South. Eighty-nine years isn't long as periods of history are reckoned, but it is long enough, in view of results, to make us grateful for our missionary heritage; long enough for

us to realize that others have labored and we are entering into their labors.

There are two reasons, I think, for the success of the missionary enterprise; first, its never-changing purpose, and second, its ever-changing plan. Down through the years the words of the Risen Christ have echoed, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations." Perhaps stronger than the external command is an inner compulsion. We have found something that **works**, we have a faith that makes life sweeter and happier, that gives worth to human personality. We have a King who never disappoints. The world **needs** what you and I have found.

Along with its never-changing purpose, our missionary work has had an ever-changing plan. Approaches and methods are constantly being adapted. Because of intense nationalism, native leadership is being encouraged. Since the world is growing smaller through communication and travel, the Social Gospel is receiving special emphasis. It is easier to live across the street from people than in the same house. Practical religion is needed today when peoples of different races and backgrounds are rubbing shoulders. Another new note is co-operation and union. There's no place, in face of urgent needs, for division and competition. Not only must boards and denominations unite for greater efficiency and economy, but Christians around the world must join forces to fight those evils which tear down and destroy in every land. War, race or class friction, child labor and alcohol are problems in Korea and India as well as in America.

The Bishops' Crusade leads us to Aldersgate this year, to John Wesley's heart-warming experience. In the time of the early crusades, those who dared, girded themselves for a holy war. The tomb of Christ must be wrested from pagan hands. "God wills it" was their cry. Each was called to "take the Cross," signifying his willingness to leave lands and loved ones for this holy mission. I wonder, as we work and pray for this spiritual movement in our church, if we are willing to "take the Cross" **personally**? Are we willing to "take the Cross" and send it with all its light and life and love throughout the world till the last and the least and the lost may know the abundant life that Jesus came to bring? That is the door of world-wide service which stands open before us.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

John Wesley stood at his father's grave stone at City Roads Chapel and preached from the text "Behold What God Hath Wrought." We, too, can feelingly say, "Behold What God Hath

Wrought," when we consider the accomplishments of the auxiliaries of this Conference. We have definitely taken a step forward; increases will be heard from many departments. There should be no feeling of complacency or satisfaction over our accomplishments but they should serve an incentive to us to push forward to a higher goal, with the hope that every Methodist woman will share our enthusiasm for missions.

A whole new world of problems confronts Christianity today. Our Bishops, at the council in New Orleans, very definitely, pointed out that Christianity has a gigantic task. The perplexing conditions around the world, the turmoil and strife, the unrest and the hunger for a satisfying religion, make it imperative that Christianity share her Christ with the nations of the world.

One of the greatest needs among the women of our whole church is a feeling of **personal** responsibility, and the most far-reaching service the women can render the local church is to try to create a great missionary passion that will place on the conscience of every member, the burden of the responsibility for sharing with others the blessings of His Gospel. Intimacy with the needs of the world, make it a joy to share; our giving is often limited because we are not conscious of the opportunities that come hourly to our workers. We must look out over the **whole** world for which Christ died and see ourselves as one indispensable factor in sending the Gospel to all those who have not had the opportunity to hear it.

Life memberships brought real joy to numbers of our people last year, and added $1,590 to our great missionary enterprise. We held fourth place, three much stronger Conferences ranked higher than ours. The fact that our life memberships for the first quarter outnumber all previous records for that time shows that more auxiliaries and individuals are becoming "life membership conscious." You can encourage life memberships by having special services for your life members and by giving publicity to the gift. Please report the names to me, when you send the money to Mrs. Carver. I am the custodian of the beautiful new roll book, and it is impossible to keep a correct record unless you report to me.

Efforts should be made to have impressive Pledge Day services. Council provides inspiring programs, and the various items of the pledge should be presented. "Retirement and Relief" will present a challenge within itself. If the women catch a vision they will pledge as their hearts are moved, and not as they pledged last year or as some one else pledged. "They will give to missions rather than to merely pledge to a budget."

I hope each auxiliary observes Houma Day at some time during the year, when they find it most convenient. It is very important

that the needs of our French Mission School be kept before our people.

As your vice-president, I have been busy; I have done all that I could to promote the work of the conference by assisting at Officers' Training Days, Zone, District and Auxiliary meetings, and by correspondence. Letters must be answered promptly and I have tried to give my best. I also assisted at two Zone meetings of a neighboring Conference.

It was my great privilege to attend the dedication of the Indian Church at Dulac, where our church is making a beginning among "Louisiana's Outcasts." Miss Ella Hooper's pioneering Christian spirit pointed the way. We are thankful for her.

As chairman of the Finance Committee, I have made the Conference Financial Program a constant study.

Delegates to this Conference have a great opportunity. You are here to represent your women and to carry back to them a vital message that will stir them to greater efforts and greater joys in service. You will go forth as a candle, lighted to light others until every woman in our Methodism will be with us in active service.

A vice-president can be as useful as she wishes; by study and a desire to be of use she can find many avenues of service.

"Oh, Master, let me walk with Thee,
In lowly paths of service free,
Tell me Thy secret; help me to hear
The strain of toil, the fret of care."

MRS. W. H. MARTIN

DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION

Report of Conference Secretary

We are thinking today of the report of this department of our Conference work, not so much in terms of items and numbers, but rather of the quality of work done and the resulting changed conditions in individual, church and community. The definite division of responsibility makes our closely knit program effective and mutually helpful. Quoting Mrs. Downs, in part: "The machinery is kept in constant action through the program which provides for Mission and Bible Study classes and through the Christian Social Relations department which provides studies and activities varied enough to enlist the sympathy and co-operation" of the more than 7,000 women in the 211 auxiliaries in the Conference.

With the assignment of a deaconess to Cedar Grove, we shall add another type of deaconess work to the five now operative in the Conference.

COUNCIL INSTITUTIONS: The three council institutions

within the Conference bounds, although inadequately financed, have each maintained a definite program of expansion, and in some inexplicable manner, have met the increasing needs of the communities where located.

SCHOLARSHIPS: We are happy to report two daughters at Scarritt College this year—Marjorie Haggart of Vinton, who has been the beneficiary of a Conference scholarship and who was consecrated at the recent Council meeting, and Patricia MacHugh of Baton Rouge, who is there for her first year.

MEETINGS: To **you**, I owe a debt of gratitude for the many high privileges that have come to me from attendance at meetings of our church and boards. In May, I was present at the meeting of the General Board of the church, in Nashville, and in September, I was invited to attend a Conference of Bishops and laymen at Nashville when plans were perfected for the Bishops' Crusade.

The School for Christian Living, held at Scarritt College in September, will ever be one of the richest experiences of my life. I was fortunate enough to be in Dallas when the Preaching Mission was held there. The General Missionary Council meeting in New Orleans, and our own Council meeting in Columbia, S. C., afforded rare opportunities for personal contacts with the leaders of our church.

Four district meetings and three district-wide Officers' Training Days, with many zone and auxiliary meetings have been of inestimable value in learning how the Woman's Missionary Society can, and should, function in the local Church.

Grateful recognition and sincere appreciation is accorded our splendid district secretaries and zone leaders, whose loyal support of plans and policies has made possible the steady and uninterrupted growth in the Conference.

I hope, as missionary women, we shall recognize our "responsibility as an organization to continually maintain a high plane of spiritual life and through this living to make our contribution to the church."

"Give thanks, O heart, O soul,
As a bright year doth roll,
To a perfect end like a perfect scroll,
Lord, Life is good."

Summary by Districts

Baton Rouge, Lake Charles and New Orleans districts **overpaid** their pledges to the Conference, with Ruston paying 99.3%, Alexandria, 98.7%, Shreveport, 98 2-3%, and Monroe, 93⅝%.

Alexandria, Baton Rouge and New Orleans, all showed gains

in per capita giving—Baton Rouge leading with a gain of .23.5 cents.

Lake Charles recorded the **largest net gain** in membership—97, Baton Rouge, 82, and Alexandria, 63.

Alexandria and Baton Rouge each reported a gain of 51 subscribers to the World Outlook, New Orleans, 10, with other districts remaining static, or showing some loss.

Shreveport district led in **Life Memberships,** Week of Prayer and Houma Day offerings, and the largest per cent of auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer.

Every district reported four zone meetings held, a most encouraging evidence of interest. These group meetings are increasing in effectiveness as they train women in initiative and leadership and have become a fruitful means of promoting Council and Conference plans. Zone leaders and district secretaries are asked to suggest such programs as will further the recommendations that are intended as a basis of study.

MRS. WILTZ M. LEDBETTER.

STATISTICAL REPORT FROM CONFERENCE FOR 1936

Districts	Number of auxiliaries	Number of new auxiliaries	Total number of members of auxiliaries including young women & new members	Number of new members	Number of Young Women's Circles	Number of young women in circles	Number of societies promoting Baby Specials	Number of subscribers to World Outlook	Number of auxiliaries making a study of Stewardship	Number of active Spiritual Life Groups	Number of new Mission Study Classes this quarter.	Number of members in Mission Study Classes	Number of new Bible Study Classes this quarter	Number of members in Bible Study Classes	Number of auxiliaries having Christian Social Relations Committees	Number of auxiliaries observing Week of prayer this quarter	Number of auxiliaries which have achieved Efficiency Aim (4th quarter)	Number of life members	Number of Home or Foreign Specials	District Meetings	Zone Meetings
Alexandria	31	4	775	84	2	30	11	163	11	6	24	169	21	200	14	26	6	17	1 B.W. 4 H.S.	2	20
Baton Rouge	28	1	805	97	2	47	3	232	12	12	24	166	24	356	20	23	4	10	3 H.S.	2	20
Lake Charles	31	1	1111	158	8	151	1	192	9	5	16	192	14	232	8	19	4	7	5 H.S.	1	20
Monroe	31	1	1056	124	7	114	8	226	14	14	19	452	14	178	17	23	2	6	3 H.S. 2 F.S.	1	12
New Orleans	25		886	134	3	61	2	182	7	9	11	122	10	181	14	19	2	11	2 H.S. 2 F.S. 2 B.W.	1	16
Ruston	32	1	1084	132	2	30	2	178	10	4	16	292	10	181	13	17	4	4	2 H.S.	2	16
Shreveport	33	1	1389	119	7	123	10	375	22	13	26	579	19	742	21	28	8	31	1 S.S. 7 H.S. 3 B.W.	2	16
Total	211	9	7106	848	31	556	27	1548	85	63	136	1972	112	2070	107	155	30	86		11	120

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1936

	Amount sent Conference Treasurer for membership offerings including Baby Specials	District and Zone Offerings	Scholarships	Week of Prayer	Total amount sent Conference Treasurer	Value of Boxes of Supplies	Amount spent for Local Work	Scarritt Maintenance	Houma Day Offerings	Per Capita Gifts
Alex'ndria	$ 1,572.51	$ 56.64	$ 578.34	$ 150.84	$ 2,863.94	$ 284.23	$ 2,177.16	$ 85.25	$ 35.40	$3.69.5
B. Rouge	1,902.20	64.01	450.00	202.94	2,950.20	315.25	2,280.75	101..05		3.66.5
L. Charles	1,630.76	52.91	821.71	193.06	2,932.40	307.84	2,758.37	74.05	5.00	2.64.5
Monroe	2,982.96	56.54	425.02	294.32	4,024.71	571.55	5,183.59	109.83	6.02	3.81
N. Orleans	1,999.76	35.71	390.00	287.24	3,327.16	481.60	3,165.24	86.00	8.75	3.75.5
Ruston	2,902.14	39.40	278.50	291.85	3,679.54	711.42	2,733.28	90.80	16.85	3.39.4
Shreve'rt	4,970.60	56.21	864.31	376.20	7,378.36	769.33	5,945.24	119.00	37.04	5.31.2
Total	$17,960.93	$366.14	$3,807.84	$1,796.45	$27,156.40	$5,659.98	$24,130.00	$665.98	$109.06	

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST FROM THE 1936 REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Alexandria District

Alexandria District's Officers' Training Day was held in Alexandria, December 10 with fair attendance.

Our zone leaders have held very helpful and inspirational meetings quarterly. We do appreciate the good work our zone leaders have done. Our district meeting was held in Bunkie with several Conference officers as guests.

We are particularly happy over the fact there is greater interest in spiritual life cultivation in our district. With this growing interest we shall be enabled to live and give more unselfishly.

The fine spirit of friendliness and co-operation that prevails makes our district work very enjoyable.

MRS. H. V. DUNFORD

Baton Rouge District

District meeting was held at Ponchatoula in May. The annual Retreat at Bluff Creek, led by Mrs. K. P. Roddy, in July. Coaching day, led by Mrs. Joe Brown Love, at Clinton in September. Officers' Training Day at First Church, Baton Rouge, in December.

This report has been made possible through the help of our Blessed Savior and the hearty co-operation of every woman in the district, to whom I am most grateful.

MRS. S. J. FAIRCHILD.

Lake Charles District

Total sent Conference Treasurer	$2,932.57	
Amount for supplies	304.78	
Amount on local work	2,885.96	
Grand Total		$6,123.31

MRS. J. J. DAVIDSON, JR.

Monroe District

During the past year, the zone meetings have been well attended, showing a spirit of co-operation that spurs us on to make them even more interesting and instructive. This year the zone leaders are meeting with the district secretary to plan each program so as to conform to a general theme for the year.

We observed Coaching Day in September, Mrs. Blanche Collins, Superintendent of Mission and Bible Study, directing the work. This proved most satisfactory as an introduction to "A Preface to Racial Understanding." First Church, Monroe, was hostess to the district study leaders.

Officers' Training Day, held with Delhi as hostess, was at-

tended by 95 officers, representing 16 auxiliaries.

Our prayers and efforts are for the advancement of His Kingdom.

MRS. ERNEST C. GIBSON

New Orleans District

As this report is compared with that for 1935, improvement may be noted along a number of lines. There is an increased effort to carry out the entire program of work. There are more study classes and more women attending them; more prayer groups. We are learning, too, to do more for others and less for ourselves, i.e., we sent an increase over 1935, of $132.34 to the Conference work, and spent $133.35 less for local work.

I wish to thank the fine women of the New Orleans district for their support and co-operation, for the inspiration they have been to me. May 1937 be the best year you have ever had.

MRS. JAMES W. WARREN

Ruston District

It is gratifying to watch the work grow. The high peaks reached by our district are the increase in membership, increase in free-will offerings and supplies sent out.

I consider it a great privilege to work with such splendid women.

MRS. GUY KINNEBREW

Shreveport District

That the number of auxiliaries promoting Baby Special Work has grown is manifested in the large increase in gifts to the department.

Increases are evident also in Week of Prayer Offering, Houma Day Gifts and zone collections.

Our district lacks five of being 100% in observance of Week of Prayer, and four in payment of Scarritt fund.

Spiritual Life groups are increasing and we hope to be able to report at least one in each Auxiliary next year.

MRS. H. B. WREN

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

We, the Committee on Education and Promotion, present the following recommendations:

1. That some definite emphasis be given to special events each quarter.

(a) That auxiliaries make the January meeting more vital in

stimulating a desire to give to **missions** rather than merely pledge to a budget.

(b) That an intensive effort be made in the second quarter to secure new members and organize new societies. Promotion packets may be secured from literature headquarters. (1) That we explain and interpret the Efficiency Aim at the district meetings in this quarter as a most efficient means for cultivation and as a goal that **can** be achieved.

(c) That the Week of Prayer and Harvest Day be observed with dedicated offerings the fourth quarter.

II. That more auxiliaries promote the department of Baby Specials and study by-laws of adult auxiliaries for guidance.

III. That continued effort be made to enlist young women as members of the Woman's Missionary Society. Emphasize articles 4 and 5, page 138, council minutes 1936.

(a) Auxiliaries having more than one delegate, elect a young woman to Conference.

(b) That material now available be more widely distributed to young women's circles and its importance stressed.

IV. That auxiliaries shall have the election of officers in November and send list of names to district secretary at once. Officers shall be installed early in December.

V. That all districts have their Officers' Training Day the first day of December or as soon after the election of officers as practicable.

VI. That Conference, district and auxiliary leaders attend Pastors' or Conference-wide Schools in their own Conference.

VII. That all Conference, district and auxiliary superintendents of study continue their efforts to have more missions and stewardship courses offered in training schools.

VIII. That we urge a persistent effort to secure $4.00 for Scarritt College from more auxiliaries, this being the only direct approach to women's missionary societies for the regular maintenance of Scarritt.

IX. That Conference officers, district secretaries and missionary women make a special study of Council and Conference minutes and the handbook.

Concerning the Woman's Missionary Society as a Force in the Church,

Inasmuch as we earnestly desire that the Woman's Missionary Society shall be a more potent and permeating force in creating a missionary mind and deepening the spiritual life of the local church, and that the society shall be fully committed to the total program of the church,

We recommend:

That women make larger use of the opportunities afforded them for a more thorough cultivation and co-operation through the many channels provided by General Conference: namely, representatives on the various boards and committees of the church, teachers in the church school, the co-operative plan for missionary education of children, missionary programs on the fourth Sundays, and participation in the work of the missionary committee of the church, through missions courses in training schools and summer conferences.

MRS. W. M. LEDBETTER, Chairman.
MRS. J. J. DAVIDSON, JR., Secretary.

AN EFFICIENCY AIM

1. Twelve monthly meetings with well planned Yearbook programs.
2. Net increase in membership.
3. Net increase per capita in connectional funds.
4. January meeting a Pledge meeting as planned by Council.
5. Week of Prayer observed as planned by Council.
6. Use of the Bible as planned by Council.
7. Two Mission Study Classes.
8. Net increase in WORLD OUTLOOK subscriptions.
9. Organization or cultivation of young women.
10. Promotion of Co-operative Plan for Missionary education of children by Secretary of Children's Work.
11. Cultivation of parents of babies by Superintendent of Baby Specials.
12. Missionary cultivation of new societies and other groups.
13. Christian Social Relations Committee and activities.
14. Quarterly Executive Committee and all reports sent Conference Officers and District Secretary by first day of quarter.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

REPORT OF TREASURER WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, 1936

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1936	$ 629.98

Receipts

Free Will Offering, Adults	$14,208.38
Free Will Offering, Babies	62.55
Life Members, Adults	1,375.00
Life Members, Babies	220.00
Scarritt Maintenance	665.98
Foreign Scholarships	160.00
Houma Scholarships	3,657.84
Bible Women	720.00

Week of Prayer	1,796.45	
Misisonary Salaries:		
Miss Annie B. Williams	900.00	
Miss Ava Martin	750.00	
Miss Ella K. Hooper	900.00	
Miss Sheila Nuttall	1,020.00	
(Car expense)	120.00	
Scarritt Scholarship	150.00	
Houma Day Offering	109.06	
Life Membership Pins	2.00	
Hymnals	10.00	
Supplies by Mistake	5.00	
Refunds From Officers	12.24	
Collections at Annual and District Meetings	93.44	
Zone Collections	315.86	
Refunded on Loan for Car	152.96	
Jubilee Gifts	10.00	27,416.76
		$28,046.74

Disbursements

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton	$25,047.63	
Conference Officers' Expense	893,39	
District Secretaries	204.00	
Printing Louisiana News	182.10	
Printing Minutes	407.83	
Journal Printing Co. (stationery, etc.)	66.78	
Mailing Council Minutes	25.50	
Treasurer's Bond	25.00	
Flowers	11.83	
Advance on Car	192.38	
Engraving for Minutes	7.19	
Guests at Conference	130.43	
School for Christian Workers	69.75	
For Hymnals	12.00	
Registration Fee and Expense of Travel (for four at S. C. L.)	42.53	
License and Insurance on Car	59.08	
Extra Expense for Rural Worker's Car	42.26	
Refunded	5.00	
Life Member Pins	2.00	
Bank Charges on Out-of-Town Checks	10.12	
Auditing of Books	25.00	27,461.80
Balance on Hand January 15, 1937		$ 584.94

Children's Work Reported	$ 755.98
Supplies Reported	1,383.88
Local Work Reported	15,021.19
City Mission	2,046.88

MRS. C. C. CARVER,
Conference Treasurer.

Lafayette, La.,
March 17, 1937.

Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.,
President Woman's Missionary
Society, Louisiana Conference,
Shreveport, La.
Dear Mrs. Sexton:

Complying with your request of February 10, 1937, I have made a detailed audit of the books and records of your Conference Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Carver of Rayne, La., for the period from January 15, 1936, to January 15, 1937. I find all receipts and disbursements properly accounted for and the books and records in excellent condition.

I also find that your Treasurer is properly bonded in the sum of $10,000.00, by the Fidelity and Deposit Co., for one year. The premium on this bond is paid by your society.

Your society also holds Full Paid Stock Certificate No. 463 for $245.00 and a savings account amounting to $434.15 on January 7, 1937, in the Rayne Building and Loan Association.

Should there be any additional information you may desire, please communicate with me.

Assuring you that it has been a pleasure to serve your good society, I am

Very truly yours
R. H. AGATE,
Public Accountant Registered with the State Board of Certified Public Accountants under No. 127.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee has made a study of the financial program of the Conference and has reported the findings to the Executive Committee.

Our representatives to Council pledged $26,000, which was a raise of $1,000. Since our Conference has overpaid the pledge for two years, it is very fitting that we take this step forward, believing that the women, as the need is realized, will increase their of-

ferings. We do not believe that $26,000 is a large pledge for 7,106 women, but it will take more of the sacrificial giving that was practiced by the women of the early days.

There are several ways by which we can increase our offerings; by each member making an increase in her pledge, according to her financial ability, by securing new members for the organization, by liberal donations for scholarships. Council asks that we set a definite per capita goal, so this Conference asks that you take a 10 per cent increase. There are women who give freely of their loving service whose financial contributions are very limited, while others with abundant means should be encouraged to give generously in proportion to their larger financial privilege and thereby raise the average.

The offerings for Houma Scholarships and for "Houma Day" were not as generous as we had hoped. Inspirational programs for "Houma Day" help to keep the women informed about the French Mission School. Knowledge of the wonderful opportunities there make us anxious to have a part in this great constructive work. Lake Charles district led in Houma scholarships, with Alexandria and Shreveport districts ranking next.

Keep this truth constantly before your women—that we are essentially a missionary society, and heavy local debts should not overawe the missionary offerings. A certain amount of local work is right and is expected of the society, but the amount spent for local work should not exceed that spent for missions.

Every district except one gained in Scarritt Maintenance. There was a total gain of $96.52. Monroe and Ruston districts showed the greatest gains over the previous year. One hundred sixty-seven auxiliaries paid to this fund. Let us make it 100 per cent this year.

Five disticts have larger offerings for Week of Prayer than they had last year. Ruston and New Orleans districts made the greatest gains.

We have not reached our goal, "A life member in each auxiliary," and "Every new baby a life member," but the joys of life membership are reaching many of our people. We had 55 adults and 43 babies for 1936.

New Orleans district showed the greatest gain in life memberships. By tithing the local money, you will be able to have more life members.

The Council receives 8 per cent of the fourth Sunday offerings of the church schools, and it is credited to the Conferences. The amount from that source for our Conference was $755.98. All missionary women are urged to use their influence to have the full amount of the fourth Sunday offering, of the church school, sent

to the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Christian Education.

For those who trust the Divine Power and heed the Divine Call there is no way but forward. He will strengthen our hearts in the assurance that if we venture with Him, He will not let us hope and labor and love in vain.

MRS. W. H. MARTIN, Chairman Finance Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee on Finance presents the following recommendations:

1. That we continue efforts to supplement our Missionary Funds by urging Honorary, Adult and Baby Life memberships and Memorial Funds.

2. That Houma Day be observed with inspirational programs, the offering to apply on Houma Scholarships. That zones unite in paying Houma Scholarships.

3. That special appeals be made to every unenlisted woman in the church to become a member of the Missionary Society, and at the first business meeting in January, every member be requested to pledge a definite sum for our Connectional Work, and that the amount of the auxiliary pledge be reported to the district secretary before March 1st.

4. That presidents, vice-presidents and treasurers make careful studies of articles on funds, pages 14, 15, 16, 17 of the Hand Book.

5. That owing to an increased pledge to Council, that the per capita giving be increased 10 per cent.

6. That each auxiliary treasurer begin in September to distribute envelopes for collection of the Annual Week of Prayer offerings, stressing weekly offerings rather than one-day gifts.

7. That no funds budgeted for missionary purposes be used for local work. Never should local funds exceed missionary offerings.

8. That the Conference pledge to Council be $26,000 and the Conference budget be $28,000 prorated as follows:

Alexandria	$ 2,900.00
Baton Rouge	3,000.00
Lake Charles	3,000.00
Monroe	4,300.00
New Orleans	3,400.00
Ruston	3,800.00
Shreveport	7,500.00
Total	$28,000.00

MRS. W. H. MARTIN, Chairman,
MRS. C. C. CARVER,
MRS. BENJ. F. ROGERS, Secretary.

COST OF DIRECTED PLEDGES

These Are All Minimum Amounts

Scholarships

Students in boarding schools in China, Japan, Korea, Brazil Mexico, Cuba, per year	$ 40.00
Some in Cuba	50.00
Bible schools in Korea	50.00
Bible schools in Japan	120.00
Medical school in China	150.00
French Mission School, Houma, Louisiana	150.00
Virginia K. Johnston Home, Dallas, Texas, for Rescue Work, a girl's outfit for entrance	60.00
(Any amount will be welcomed on maintenance)	
Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia, for dependent girls	200.00
Scarritt College, any course	300.00

Bible Women

In China, Japan, Korea, Brazil	$120.00 up
Other trained native workers	$120.00 to $750.00

Missionaries and Deaconesses

Foreign Missionaries	$900.00 to $1,000.00
Deaconesses and Home Missionaries	$900.00 up

SPECIALS SUPPORTED UNDER DIRECTED PLEDGES

BIBLE WOMEN

			Supported by
1—Nannie Battle	1899	City Work School, Soochow, China	First Church, Shreveport.
2—Dorothy Wilmot	1901	Changsu, China	Rayne Memorial Auxiliary.
3—Priscilla Bentley	1908	Alice Cobb Bible School, Wonsan, Korea	Carrollton Ave. Aux., New Orleans.
4—Hattie Haas	1912	Chul Won, Korea	Mrs. W. D. Haas, Alexandria.
5—Hester Thompson Smith,	1925	Choon Chun Station, Korea	Noel Memorial Aux., Shreveport.
6—Sallie Sexton	1928	Native Teacher, Japan	Gleaners, First Church, Shreveport.

SCHOLARSHIPS—FOREIGN

1—Lee Dicks	1899	Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea	Monroe Auxiliary.
2—Belle O'Pry	1905	Roberts College, Saltillo, Mexico	Rayne Memorial Aux., New Orleans.
3—Anna Trosper	1913	Lucy Cunninggim School, Korea	Monroe Auxiliary.
4—Mary Keener	1919	Roberts College, Saltillo, Mexico	First Church Auxiliary, New Orleans.

DEACONESSES AND MISSIONARIES

1—Missionary Ann B. Williams	1916	35 Nakayamate Dori, Kobe, Japan	First Church Auxiliary, Shreveport.
2—Deaconess Ella Hooper	1919	McDonnell Wesley House, Houma, La.	First Ch. Aux. Shr'port & La. Conf.
3—Missionary Clara Chalmers	1921	Colegio Irene Toland, Matanzas, Cuba.	Louisiana Conference.
4—Deaconess Sheila Nuttall	1927	Ruston District	Louisiana Conference.
5—Missionary Ava Morton	1931	China	Louisiana Conference.
6—Deaconess Mary Freeman	1928	Jubilee Inn, Shreveport	Sup. by Board City Missions, Shr'p'rt
		66th St. Methodist Church, Cedar Grove.	Louisiana Conference.

1936 LIFE MEMBERS

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Adults

Mesdames W. D. Haas, R. Rodgers, W. M. Mantiply, W. D. Milton, J. W. Jones, M. I. Puckett, T. W. Holloman and Mr. J. H. White.

Babies

Francis Ruth Roby, Noel Custer, Ira Lou Drewett, Herbert Couvillion, Lucille Day, Martha Cruse Chisum, Mary Dale Branton and Barbara Emmerson.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Adults

Mesdames W. B. Marcin, Emma Pond, J. B. Carradine, Alice Chambers, C. H. Deterly, W. D. Woodward, R. L. Carr and J. A. Alford.

Babies

Louis Edward Boyd.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Adults

Mesdames Lonnie Clark, E. M. Frazer, O. E. Williams, R. Pattison, J. H. McNeely and J. J. Davidson, Sr.

Babies

Alice Fortier, Ethel Hattie Libersat, Ethel May Moist, Tommy Ray Craft and Cynthia Ann McDonald

MONROE DISTRICT

Adults

Mesdames R. E. Rushing, M. M. Meredith.

Babies

Frances Ruth Hatch, John Russell Davis, Evelyn Davis and Judith Allen Harris.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Adults

Mesdames Effie Willoughby, D. B. Raulins, B. M. Blackshear, J. B. Parker, C. C. Hightower, W. J. Arner and Lula Wilson.

Babies

Jannie Warrene Boyd, Alyce Sandra Rester, Emily Bush and Mary Sue Gatlin.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Adults

Miss Vashti Morton and Mrs. N. R. Grigsby.

Babies

Tommie Dekle and Bessie Ann Dees.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Adults

Mesdames Roy Bolinger, Dolly Scarborough, J. C. Warren, G.

W. Holmes, D. H. Sebastian, P. M. Williams, Henry Marston, John Marston, S. D. McGoldrick, Della Gahagan, J. A. Pretz, S. J. Davis, Harry Balcom, L. G. Smith, L. L. Cowan, J. C. Bolin, J. G. Sloan, R. C. Gorton, L. B. Thomas, A. P Peyton, Geo. Pierce and Nettie Brown.

Babies

Richard A. Barron, Jackie Clinton Holly, Jackie Dabney Huckaby, Ora Jean Finch, Jeanne Midyett, Francis Johnson, Ann Marie Robertson, Mildred Branch, Barbara Clanton, Nola Ann Horn, Shirley Ann Averett, Camille Caraway, Delton Harrison, Cherry Sue Holly, Janell Holly, Douglas H. Box, Martha Ann Gillen, Barbara Merle Nelson and Charles Emery Richie.

YOUNG WOMEN'S DIVISION

REPORT OF YOUNG WOMEN CIRCLES

Another year has passed and I wish it was possible for me to give you a complete report from our young women's circles. But since only about half of the circles reported to me last year, it is impossible for me to do so. However, the reports that were received are most gratifying. We have more Bible and Mission Study Classes than ever before, and there has also been an increase in subscribers to the WORLD OUTLOOK. Several report the use of the "upper room" for their daily devotions.

Our young women have served beautifully on district and zone programs as well as other programs of the church. In fact, they have shared in every department of the work, and are being used continually in ways that stimulate their interest, and will train them for more effective service.

I am now mailing literature to 47 circles. We have nine new circles, and six have integrated into the Adult Society.

Truly last year was a great year in our Conference. I feel that we are really on "higher ground." But still there is much to be done. Let us all try to do just a little more this year. With the more mature women and the younger women continuing to pray, study, think and work together we should accomplish even greater things in 1937 than ever before.

MRS. H. J. POWERS,
Conference Secretary of Young Women's Circles.

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUNG WOMEN'S CIRCLES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Since the young people pass from the Young People's Division of the Church School at the age of 24, and all young women, including those under 24 who have assumed adult responsibility, then become available for membership in the Woman's Missionary Society,

it is suggested that adult societies may cultivate those young women by forming them into circles of the Adult Society.

The Young Women's Circle should be an integral part of the Woman's Missionary Society and not independent of it.

This circle plan should serve for the adequate cultivation of:

(1) Young business women who cannot attend the regular meetings of the Adult Society.

(2) Young Women who have passed the age limit for the Young People's Division of the local church and are therefore eligible for membership in the Adult Society.

(3) Young women under 24 years of age who through marriage or vocation have assumed the responsibility of adult life.

Through the use of special literature in these circles the young women will be prepared for their responsibility as members of the Adult Society. As rapidly and as fully as possible they should be identified with the work of the society as a whole.

It is not desirable that young women would remain in these circles for such a long period that they will feel themselves a separate section of the society. (See Standing Rule No. 11.)

Officers

A suitable young woman should be elected to serve as chairman of the Young Women's Circle who shall keep in touch by letters or otherwise with the Conference Secretary of Young Women. Special plans and literature will be furnished the chairman of each young women's group by the Conference Secretary of Young Women. If a Conference has not elected such an officer, District Secretaries are responsible for this promotion.

Sub-chairmen may be appointed to head such committees as program, finance, study, Christian social relations, local work, membership and spiritual life.

Findings of Young Women's Panel Discussion

The following points were brought out in the Young Women's Panel discussion.

The problem of integrating those who were too old for the young women's circles into the older circles. It is impossible to do it by ages. Two other methods were suggested: (1) to form a bride's circle; and, (2) to divide the society according to interests. These would almost automatically fall into the proper age groups.

The young women are not afraid of responsibility and are willing to accept it but realize that they need training. They want to be invited to the Missionary Society by the older women.

The gap that comes between the young people's department and the Misisonary Society is partly caused by the adjustments that are being made in most girls' lives at this time. They are finishing college and business school and going to work. In making the neces-

sary adjustments their church life is somewhat neglected.

The literature that is sent out is being used by the young women's circles and they like it. However, it was suggested that the two-year training course was most excellent material for the circles when they are first organized.

The young women want the help of the older women. They need their spiritual leadership and vision.

The young women become interested in foreign missions through the study of their work and needs.

The older women do not object to having the young women in the Missionary Society because:

1. They can depend on them;
2. They are helpful to the older women;
3. They bring new life into the society;
4. They bring new ideas and the will and energy to carry them out.

Suggestions

1. It is suggested that each adult Society that has a circle composed of members who can meet only at night have one night meeting a quarter.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the President, Officers and Members of the Annual Conference Woman's Missionary Society of Louisiana.
Homer, Louisiana, March 30-April 1, 1937.

The children's workers of the Louisiana Conference feel that they have sustained a distinct loss in the passing of Mrs. R. S. Crichlow, who for several years gave freely of her time and talent to the organization and promotion of the Co-Operative Plan for Missionary Education in the children's division in Louisiana. She accomplished much and the present excellent condition of the children's work is due largely to her untiring effort.

During November, 1936, the children of Southern Methodism had as their Friendship Unit, a study of the American negro.

The results were far reaching; many reports expressed a keener appreciation for the negro race, for what they have done for us and of what we can do for them.

Contacts were made that will be carried on through the year. More friendly attitudes for the colored race were reported, both among the children and the teachers.

One secretary writes, "It was a revelation to us as teachers, and the children were intensely interested in the contributions of the negro race to our civilization."

Thirty-four churches in Louisiana Conference reported having

studied the fall Friendship Unit, and no doubt many more enjoyed this study that were not reported.

Since November 1, 1936, report blanks and literature were sent to 253 churches. Thirty-eight churches acknowledged receipt of this material. In many cases, no doubt, the material was sent to the wrong person due to the fact that the name and address of the Secretary of Children's Work of the local church had not been reported to your Conference Superintendent of Children's Work.

Every inquiry or request concerning the Children's Work has been answered immediately, also many have received suggestions and materials pertaining to the Baby Special.

The smaller churches are eager to promote the Children's Work, and I feel confident that 1937 will show great progress made in this group.

Many of the larger churches that failed to have the study of the American negro are now making plans to study the Spring Unit on China.

Number of churches reporting on the Friendship Unit on the American negro taught during November, 1936, by districts, are as follows :

District:	Primary	Junior
Alexandria	4	4
Baton Rouge	10	10
Lake Charles	0	0
Monroe	5	6
New Orleans	5	5
Ruston	3	5
Shreveport	4	4
Total	31	34

Using reports made July 1, 1936, and January 1, 1937, we find as follows: (1936 Totals. World Friendship Units used by churches in Louisiana.)

	Primary	Junior
Number using Friendship Units during year	44	48
Number having extra sessions	25	32
Total number sessions held	276	320
Literature		
Churches using special booklets	27	29
Churches using group graded lessons	23	23
Enrollment		
Children:		
Regular Sunday morning sessions	1013	1332
Extra sessions	364	561

Increase January 1, 1937, report over July 1, 1936:

Attendance

Sunday sessions	325	396
Extra sessions	38	71
Churches reporting Friendship Unit	20	23

Offering

Number churches sending Fourth Sunday Offering itemized to Conference Treasurer	31
Number churches sending offering not itemized	10
Number churches reporting no offering sent	7

Council Treasurer reports Louisiana Children's Division paid in 1936 for Fourth Sunday Missionary Offering, $755.98.

Credits in Training Schools

Mt. Sequoyah	2 credits each	2 Local Secretaries
Standard Schools	16 credits	12 Local Secretaries
Supervised Study	2 credits	2 Local Secretaries
Standard School	2 credits	Conference Supt.

Five secretaries reported having had the course on "Missionary Education in Children's Division" taught by Miss Constance Rumbaugh at the Pastor's School in June, 1936. Others reported having taken advantage of the Mission Study classes in the Woman's Missionary Society.

Let us make 1937 a record year in children's work! Let us reach the highest goal we can set for ourselves; this is our task in the building of the Kingdom. Let us not fail Him who never fails us!

MRS. J. M. EICHER,
Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK

The Committee on Children's Work recommends:

1. That a secretary of children's work be elected in every auxiliary, and that where there is no Missionary Society, the help of the pastor be secured to appoint a worker in the children's division to fill out the report blank to be sent to the Conference Secretary of Children's Work of the Woman's Missionary Society. (To determine if Missionary Units of Literature are being used.)

2. That early in October the nominating committee of the Woman's Missionary Society in each church be asked to consider the superintendent of the children's division, or a teacher or officer of the primary or junior department of the church school for the office of secretary of children's work, provided she is a member of the Woman's Missionary Society. If not a member of the Woman's Missionary Society, enlist her as a member.

3. (a) That in addition to the representative of the Woman's Missionary Society on the Church Board of Christian Education, the pastor be asked, wherever practicable, to appoint the secretary of

children's work as one of the members at large, provided she is not already a member of the board.

(b) That the representative of the Woman's Missionary Society on the Church Board of Christian Education keep this board well informed on the co-operative plan that provision may be made for the regular study of the missionary units in the church school.

4. That the secretary of children's work keep the Missionary Society informed as to what is happening in the children's division throughout the entire year as well as during the time when missionary units are in progress.

5. That the secretary of children's work make a special effort to attend mission study classes in the auxiliary and take advantage of any Conference or regional schools and assemblies where courses for Christian workers are offered.

6. That **every** auxiliary place due emphasis upon the church school remitting the Fourth Sunday Offerings promptly to Floyd B. James, Conference Board of Christian Education Treasurer, said report properly itemized on the provided blank.

7. That wherever possible the Conference Secretary of Children's Work use the various Conference publications to promote the use of missionary units in the children's division of the church school.

8. That members of the auxiliary make available at least one subscription to the World Outlook for children's division in the local church.

9. That since the children's division of the church school is now operating under a co-operative plan, that the representative from the Missionary Society on local board of Christian Education, or the secretary of children's work, urge the placing of the "Elementary Teacher" in the hands of every teacher in the children's division for adequate missionary material.

10. That members of the Missionary Society co-operate with church school teachers in securing the attendance of the children at extra sessions for World Friendship units and vacation church schools, and that they give any other assistance possible which may be needed for these sessions, as well as Sunday morning sessions.

11. That each church observe in a suitable manner Church School Day on May 16.

MRS. J. M. EICHER, Chairman.

MRS. H. T. WADLEY, Secretary.

Information—Children's Work.

Local Needs	Where to Get It
Report Blanks. World Friendship Bulletin for Secretary of Children's Work. "You Are Helping"—folder.	Mrs. J. M. Eicher 1801 Tulip St. Baton Rouge, La.
Leaflets	
Co-operative Plan for Missionary Education in Children's Division Revised each year—free.	Mrs. J. M. Eicher 1801 Tulip St. Baton Rouge, La.
No. 182-H—Missionary Education in Children's Division $0.05.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.
Subscription to	
Elementary Teacher—Single $1.00 year. 5 or more, one address each, $0.90 year. To be furnished by local church.	
Missionary Units, Primary, Junior, $0.25 each. Order in January for Spring Unit. Order in September for Fall Unit. Picture Sheet for Unit, $0.15 each.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.
Group Graded Lessons, Primary, Junior. Subscriptions to Boys and Girls.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.
Magazines	
Exhibits and other suggested materials for each unit—suggested in above units.	Literature Headquarters Children's Division, W.M.S. 706 Church St. Nashville, Tenn.
Vacation Church Schools	
Order from List sent out by General Board of Education. Prices vary.	Methodist Publishing House 810 Broadway Nashville, Tenn.

DEPARTMENT OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICITY

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICITY

To the Woman's Missionary Society, Louisiana Conference:

It is with mingled feelings of humility and gratitude that I bring you my third annual report as Superintendent of Literature and Publicity; humility, because I recognize that even in the midst of progress there is much that has not been done; and gratitude for the inspiration of serving.

Last year's report had to be made before the second World Outlook campaign had closed. Our number of subscribers at the end of the campaign was 1,363, a gain of 71 since the close of the previous campaign. At the close of 1936, the number of subscribers to the World Outlook reported by the District Secretaries was as follows: Alexandria, 163; Baton Rouge, 230; Lake Charles, 192; Monroe, 226; New Orleans, 182; Ruston, 180; Shreveport, 375; total, 1,548.

Beginning with January 1, of this year, we entered upon a third campaign, to last throughout the Conference year. Our goal for this special effort is 1,650, which, if our records are correct, means that we have two more than 100 new subscribers to secure.

The World Ourlook loving cup, which is awarded for 1936 to the auxiliary representing the church having the largest percentage of its membership subscribing to the World Outlook, goes to the Wesley Auxiliary, Monroe District. The three runners-up in the contest were: Benton, Shreveport District; Gueydan, Lake Charles District; and Plaquemine, Baton Rouge District.

During 1936, 111 auxiliaries reported at some time during the year, Shreveport District leading with 21. There were 55 auxiliaries in the Conference that attained the Publicity Honor Roll—or reported for all four quarters. Shreveport District also led in this group with 15. The count for the Honor Roll by districts is as follows: Shreveport, 15; Monroe, 10; Alexandria, 9; Ruston, 8; Lake Charles, 5; New Orleans, 5; Baton Rouge, 3.

I believe this department of work is assuming a larger place of importance in the local auxiliaries. More auxiliaries are really evaluating the literature provided them, are making use of the newspapers, are displaying posters in the church and church school as well as in the auxiliary meeting.

The superintendent has tried to be prompt and careful in sending out the literature and in filling requests for extra materials that have come from time to time, but I cannot emphasize too strongly the necessity of having correct names and addresses. Whenever

possible I have presented this phase of our work at zone and other meetings.

Again to Mrs. Hyams and Mrs. Cunningham, we express our grateful appreciation for their capable and consecrated labors in providing our Conference with a missionary paper, and we urge a more general use and prompt provision for articles for the Louisiana News.

The great Indian poet, Tagore, has given us the following thought: Knowledge may bring power, but only service can bring the fullness of life. And so, for you and for me, for this year, I covet the "fullness of life" that only service for our Master can bring.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. G. W. DAMERON.

We, the Committee on Literature and Publicity, submit the following recommendations:

1. That each auxiliary send in reports for publicity and literature and for the World Outlook, and that no auxiliary which fails to send both reports for each quarter will be considered eligible for the Publicity Honor Roll.

2. That the Louisiana News and Missionary Bulletin be presented each month to the auxiliary, and that articles for the Louisiana News be sent to Mrs. V. G. Hyams or to Mrs. W. T. Cunningham, Natchitoches, La., not lated than the 10th of the month.

3. That the Superintendent of Literature and Publicity acquaint herself with the entire program of the Woman's Missionary Society that she may more adequately disseminate missionary news in the auxiliary and church and that she may give more adequate publicity to the activities of the society.

4. That this department of work be presented to at least one zone meeting of each zone, with special emphasis given to the World Outlook.

7. That these recommendations be read and discussed by the superinendents of publicity and World Outlook in the auxiliary meetings and that zones and auxiliaries make periodic checks as to progress made.

MRS. G. W. DAMERON, Chairman.
MRS. J. R. WHITE, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The work of this department has gone forward slowly. We are gradually becoming more familiar with the different phases

of the program and our women are anxious to help promote anything that will aid in the social betterment.

I have received, during the year, reports from 100 auxiliaries. Of these, only 60 have sent in reports for each quarter. There are 170 auxiliaries that have superintendents of Christian Social Relations.

The report of our chairman of Christian Citizenship and Law Observance, Mrs. Marlin Drake, shows that this division of our work has received the major attention of our women during the past year. The liquor question has been given a great deal of study. In several towns elections have been held and the sale of intoxicants prohibited.

Inter-racial co-operation has gone forward with Mrs. John Foster as chairman. A great deal of interest has been taken in the living conditions of the negro and their schools, and much has been done to improve conditions. Several districts sent delegates to the training school at Tyler, Texas.

The report on International Relations and World Peace, Mrs. L. A. Johnson, chairman, was very encouraging. The women are studying the packets on peace as suggested by Council and have been responsible for programs with outstanding speakers.

The rural work has gone forward and the report of the chairman, Mrs. W. E. Fine, made us realize that the rural auxiliaries in spite of difficulties are carrying on a splendid program. Miss S. Nuttall, our rural deaconess, is now stationed in Monroe District and is doing a constructive work.

The chairman of Industrial Relations, Miss Suzie Lyons, sent in an outstanding report of this division. A very thorough survey has been made of the industrial situation and many deplorable conditions revealed. Miss Lyons urges that during the year each member of Conference will find out and have accurate information about labor conditions in their section of the state.

During the past year there has been a re-organization of the Department of Labor and Statistics under Act 30 of the Regular Session of the Legislature. According to the present set-up we have, (1) Commissioner of Labor; (2) Bureau of Women and Children; (3) Bureau of Standards and Inspection.

We are earnestly hoping that under this new set-up much better provisions will prevail but we have no basis on which to express this hope unless the citizens of Louisiana, particularly the women, show their interest and in some way make the department aware of the fact that the women of Louisiana are behind a fair deal for women and children.

It was my privilege to attend the School of Christian Living at Scarritt College, September 16-21. The five days were spent in

study, prayer and fellowship. We came away with a better understanding of the social problems of today and an earnest desire to do something about it. I will long remember those days.

I also attended the meeting of the Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching in Atlanta, January 13 and 14. The association is trying, through education, to arouse public opinion so that mob murder will not be tolerated. Louisiana has a clean record for 1936. Let's work and pray that we may never have another lynching in our state.

During the year I have attended two district meetings, six zone meetings and three officers' training days.

The following are those auxiliaries to receive Council recognition for efficiency:

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT —Bunkie, Pineville, Elizabeth, Glenmore, Alexandria 1st Church, Boyce.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT —Amite, Ponchatoula, Introuma, Clinton, Ethel, Baton Rouge 1st Church, New Hope, Jackson.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT—Gueydan, Many, Lake Charles, DeRidder.

MONROE DISTRICT —Bastrop, Buckner, Columbia, Lake Providence, Little Creek, Sterlington, Wesley, Wisner, Winnsboro, Mangham, Oak Ridge.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT—Rayne, Memorial, Parker Memorial, Bogalusa, Epworth, Carrollton Ave., Algiers, 2nd M. E. Church, St. Marks, Slidell.

RUSTON DISTRICT —Haughton, Arcadia, Minden, Hilly, Haynesville, Jonesboro, Hodge, Bernice, Dodson, Sibley.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT —Coushatta, Benton, Gilliam, Cedar Grove, Greenwood, Shreveport 1st Church, Noel Memorial, Gleaners 1st Church Shreveport, Logansport, Sexton Chapel, Alden Bridge, Plain Dealing, Mangum, Memorial.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

I. General.

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That the subject of health be the special topic for 1937-38 in each of the five departments of Christian Social Relations, to be

carried on with reference to Community Life—urban, rural, industrial and domestic, for all races.

2. That projects formerly recommended and begun by auxiliaries should be continued until satisfactory results are obtained.

3. That the Christian Social Relations Committee emphasize such studies in the Christian living series as are related to the work.

The Christian Living Series:

1. Christian Missions and World Peace.
2. What Alcohol Is and Does.
3. Christian Principles and Practices in Business.
4. Parents as Teachers of Christian Living.
5. Achieving a Christian Home.
6. Toward the Christian Ideal of Brotherhood.

II. Christian Citizenship and Law Observance.

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That the Woman's Conference Missionary Societies be requested to present Christian Citizenship in their annual meetings in 1937.

2. That auxiliaries study the provisions made in their state for Juvenile Courts.

3. That we endorse and actively co-operate in the effort of the National Safety Council.

4. The following readings:

Periodicals:

Church School Literature.

Elective Studies of the Board of Christian Education.

Two Anti-Lynching plays:

(a) "Country Sunday" (for white players).

(b) "Lawd, Does You Understand?" (for negro players).

The following new books:

"Education for Changing Civilization"—Wm. H. Kilpatrick.

"Education and the Social Crisis"—Wm. H. Kilpatrick.

"A Wider World for Women"—Lucy W. Peabody.

III. Inter-racial Co-operation.

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That auxiliary superintendents of Christian Social Relations give assistance in every way possible in organizing negro Parent-Teachers Associations.

2. That they also give assistance in conducting Vacation Church Schools for negro children, furnishing materials when necessary.

3. That auxiliaries be urged to continue their assistance to

negro women in attending the leadership schools in which the council co-operates.

4. That a simplified questionnaire accompany the program material for study on domestic employment in the third quarter.

IV. Joint Resolutions

The Committee on Citizenship and Law Observance and the Committee on Inter-racial Co-operation units in the following resolutions:

Whereas, we rejoice that the number of lynchings has decreased from 20 in 1935 to 8 in 1936, and whereas 8 are 8 too many in a land which we call Christian, we urge our missionary women to continue their campaign for eradication of lynching, through 1937, by explaining to groups the meaning of the anti-lynching pledge; securing signatures of both men and women, especially of sheriffs and other officers; and working in every way possible to create a public opinion which respects the rights and personalities of all.

Furthermore, we do hereby endorse the Costigan-Wagner Anti-Lynching Bill, and urge our missionary women to continue their efforts in behalf of this bill by letters to congressmen and senators and by education in their own communities on the merits of nationwide action for the eradication of lynching.

V. Industrial Relations.

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That each member on both the Conference and Council Industrial Committees continue the promoting of the group study of co-operatives.

2. That a study be made of collective bargaining with regard to rights and responsibilities of both employer and employee.

VI. Rural Development.

WE CONTINUE TO RECOMMEND:

1. That local auxiliaries on circuits seek to co-operate with each other in every possible way; that city and town societies adopt rural societies as sisters and co-operate with them in advancing the work; that rural missionary societies work for the betterment of the rural community and seek in every possible way to relate the church to community needs; that rural societies co-operate with the Presiding Elders in promoting Rural Life Coferences in the district; that effort be made to secure small circulating loan on rural work for use in various zones and districts.

2. We recommend:

   a. That larger use be made of the Guide No. 1 on "Rural Community."

   b. That wherever Rural Missionary Societies have not participated in a church-wide study of rural missions, they make a careful study of Dr. Ormond's book "By

the Waters of Bethesda" and seek to discover its meaning for the situation in their own communities. We continue to urge the study of the two packets on co-operatives. (These materials can be secured from the Service Department, Board of Missions, Nashville, Tenn.)

3. We rejoice in the decision of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations that the special project during 1937-38 be "Health" and we recommend that a Guide No. 2 in the rural community series be prepared with the question of health.

4. That auxiliary and conference superintendents keep in close touch with the recommendations to congress from the President's Committee on Farm Tenancy; that they write at once to the National Resource Committee, Washington, D. C. (care of Dr. W. W. Alexander) and secure a copy of the report of the committee that they seek to promote the study and discussion of the report; and that they support such measures arising from the report as are in keeping with sound social justice and Christian principles.

VII. International Relations and World Peace.

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That emphasis be placed upon education through the use of
   a. Study Groups, using Marathon Round Tables, (Committee on Cause and Cure of War, 1624 Grand Central Terminal Bldg., New York), or World Problems, (National Council for Prevention of War, 532 17th St., N.W., Washington, D. C.), or Headline Books of the Foreign Policy Association, (Foreign Policy Association, 8 W. 40th St., New York), with helps furnished from that office.
   b. Reading, individually and collectively—using reliable newspapers and magazines and Headline Books recommended by Foreign Policy Association, or the following list of books selected by this committee:
      1. "Kill or Cure," Muriel Lester, $1.
      2. "America Contradicts Herself," Coslin & Stone, 35c.
      3. "Peace With Honor," Milne, $1.
      4. "Why Wars Must Cease," Ten Women, $1.
      5. "The Cotton South and American Trade Policy," Peter Molyneaux, 35c.
      6. "Picking America's Pockets," David L. Cohn, $2.75.
      7. "Inside Europe," John Gunther, $3.50.
      8. "My Country and My People," Lin Yu Lang.

9. "The Far Eastern Crisis," Henry L. Stimson, $3.75 .
10. "Ethical Issues Confronting the World Christian," D. F. Fleming, $2.

c. Clippings: Auxiliaries are urged to assemble and circulate clippings from newspapers and current magazines.

d. Radio: Broadcasts of National Council for Prevention of War, now on the air, and material available from that office for use of local speakers over stations not reached by above network.

e. Films: That missionary women make it their duty to lessen the great amount of militaristic propaganda in films, newsreels and features, and to increase the use of films, using as a guide the Bulletin of Current films, issued by National Council for Prevention of War.

2. That we urge the importance of the study of neutrality.

3. That efforts be made to counteract the ill effects of our national immigration laws by a study of methods for extending the good neighbor policy into the Pacific area, with special reference to these laws.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE FOR CONFERENCE AND AUXILIARY SOCIETIES

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That the health program recommended by Council be given special emphasis and a study be made of conditions which contribute to the high maternity death rate prevailing in Louisiana.

2. That wherever practical the Conference Committee on Christian Social Relations shall meet just prior to the Conference meeting.

3. That every auxiliary superintendent of Christian Social Relations be provided with a copy of the minutes and the booklet "Auxiliary Activities in Christian Social Relations."

4. That the zone leader be responsible for the promotion of the work of Christian Social Relations in her zone.

5. That the books recommended by Council be given special attention, each auxiliary using them in reading circles, books to be furnished by the auxiliary with at least two books to the auxiliary.

6. That the chairman of the five divisions use the Louisiana

News and the Christian Advocate for presenting phases of their work.

7. That in every town where there is more than one M. E. Church, South, a federation be organized of Christian Social Relations Superintendents and their committees; in towns of only one M. E. Church, South, an Interdenominational Federation be organized wherever practicable, the Christian Social Relations Superintendent being the leader of the movement.

8. That we co-operate with the Board of Christian Education in its temperance program, special publicity being given to the misleading advertisement in the local papers and current magazines.

9. That the Conference send women to the Seminars on Rural Work to be held at Lake Junaluska and Mt. Sequoyah; and that the women selected be urged to prepare themselves by such reading, study and investigation as the Rural Development Committee will suggest.

10. That the promotion of parish libraries be one of our objectives for 1937 in co-operation with the Louisiana Federation of Women's Clubs.

MRS. D. C. METCALF, Chairman.
MRS. JOHN FOSTER, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, as a delegation of church women representing 7,000 Methodist women of Louisiana, we are deeply concerned with Social Legislation;

Be it resolved:

1. That we wish to go on record as standing solidly behind the President in his personal request that the State of Louisiana ratify the Child Labor Amendment at the earliest possible date, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Leche, and to the speaker of the House of Representatives.

2. That we go on record as urging the adoption of the Anti-Lynching Bill to be presented at the present session of congress. Also that a copy of this resolution be sent to Speaker Bankhead and to Vice-President Garner.

MRS. D. C. METCALF, Chairman,
MRS. JOHN FOSTER, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

The New Orleans Methodist Federation of Social Relations in regular session March 29, urges the Woman's Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference, now in session at Homer, La., to implore congress to enact the Pittman Neutrality Bill (Senate Bill) after the following gaps or holes have been plugged. The bill in

its present form (1) permits American ships to enter war zones carrying goods to belligerents (2) the bill gives the President no power to halt trade in articles other than munitions (basic war materials should be included) (3) the McReynolds (House Bill) does not require that Americans give up all title to goods shipped to belligerents.

Be it resolved:

1. That congress be requested to define a policy for national defense only, in keeping with our neutrality law. And that congress co-operate with the President in calling a World Peace Conference in Washington in the near future.

2. Whereas, the Sheppard-Hill (or Hill-Sheppard) Bill provides larger profits during war than in peace time, and for conscripting all male citizens between the ages of 21 and 31, and for suspending the Walsh-Healy 40-hour work law, the Sheppard-Hill Bill is dictatorial and dangerous to democracy and must be defeated.

MRS. ROGER SHARP, President.
MRS. L. D. CHAFFEE, Chairman.

DEPARTMENT OF BIBLE AND MISSION STUDY

REPORT OF CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSION AND BIBLE STUDY

The study year of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference has been a very encouraging one from the point of view of fruitful accomplishments. Never have we taken a book which was more profitable in the light of service as a direct result of its study than "A Preface to Racial Understanding" by Charles S. Johnson. While some did not study this book and while others entered into it with fear and trembling, the results in changed attitudes and new Christian brotherhood have more than justified the study. The many available materials also made this study one in which best teaching methods could be used.

Your superintendent, in co-operation with the district secretaries, conducted two Coaching Days in which the interest was very good. When an intelligent and refined study leader sits through a Coaching Day and the expression of her face is seen to change from one of definite disapproval and opposition to that of sympathetic understanding something has been done. When a woman declares on the way home that she expects to raise her cook's wages, our work is not wasted.

The new Bible Studies are meeting with a wonderful response and appreciation. They are a means of real growth to those who take part in them.

In every way possible, I have tried to advance the work. I have carried on a voluminous correspondence as well as talking it at every opportunity. Although there is a greater appreciation and I think a higher standard of work, we are not increasing in the number of classes as we should. New auxiliaries are not being added to those who report.

My statistical report is as follows:

Number of Mission Study classes reported	211
Number of members of Mission Study classes..	4,748
Number of Bible Study classes reported	145
Number of members of Bible Study classes....	3,921
Number receiving Council Certificate	62
Number attending Conference for Christian Workers	29

May we work and pray that the Kingdom of God be advanced through our study program.

Respectfully submitted

MRS. S. M. COLLINS,
Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MISSION AND BIBLE STUDY

1. Try to enlist every woman in the church in our Mission and Bible Study classes.
2. That only books recommended by Council for the current year be used as texts for both Mission and Bible Study.
3. That every auxiliary study two Mission books and one Bible Study during the year, planning to begin with a Mission study in October.
4. That the study of the Moslem World be not taken up until October 1, when we shall have had the coaching provided and shall have the added inspiration of all studying the same book at the same time.
5. That we strive to make our Bible study a real study with the quality of teaching and class work equal to that done in our Mission Study classes.
6. That every auxiliary try to send the study leader to the Conference for Christian Workers at Centenary College, Shreveport, June 21 to 26.
7. That one or more training classes for study leaders be held in each district in September. When the zone meeting is used for Coaching Day, the full day should be given to that purpose.
8. That a Findings Committee be appointed at the organization of the class to bring in suggestions for future action.
9. That study leaders use their influence to secure more Mission and Stewardship Courses in Standard Training Schools.

10. That reports be sent by the first of April, July, October and January, to Mrs. Blanche R. Collins, Conference Superintendent of Study; that all blanks on this report be filled.

BLANCHE R. COLLINS, Chairman.
MATTIE T. WOODWARD, Secretary.

REQUIREMENTS FOR MISSION STUDY CLASSES RECEIVING CERTIFICATES FROM THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Adults

I. Text.

The textbooks shall be selected from the list recommended by the Woman's Missionary Council for the current year.

II. Class Session.

The class should meet for six lessons of one hour each within one week or in six consecutive weeks. Where six sessions cannot be planned without interfering with a regular program meeting of the society, seven weeks may be used. However, four class sessions of 1½ hours each may be held within six weeks. No two sessions may be held the same day.

III. Leader.

The leader shall be qualified for the work either by college or by special teacher training courses and by experience in teaching.

IV. Assignments.

Assignments for class preparation, such as reading **in addition to the text,** written papers, research, posters, and pageants, may be made to the members of the class and checked by the teacher.

V. Attendance, Preparation and Participation of Members.

An average of 75 per cent of the members of the class must attend class sessions. Students must make outside preparation on assignment of the teacher. Students must participate in class work as called on by teacher. At least six members of the society should constitute a class, except in very small societies.

VI. Report and Certificate.

A report of the class must be made to the Conference Superintendent of Mission Study on the blank furnished by her. She shall send the report to the Council Officer in charge of Mission Study who will issue a certificate for work meeting the required standard.

All applications should reach Council Officer by March 1, if certificates are to be awarded at annual meetings.

BOOKS FOR STUDY

Bible Study

I. Courses in Christian Living:

1. Winning People for Christ. Goddard.

2. Parents as Teachers of Christian Living. White and White.
3. Christian Principles and Practices in Business. Simpson.
4. Stewardship Studies:
   a. Christian Motive and Methods in Stewardship. Trimble.
   b. The Stewardship Life. Crawford.
   c. The Message of Stewardship. By Ralph S. Cushman.
   d. Stewardship of All of Life. By Luther E. Lovejoy.
5. Courses in the Adult Student:
   a. What Alcohol Is and Does.
   b. Methodist Missions.
   c. Achieving a Christian Home.
   d. Jesus' Use of Scripture.
   e. Toward the Christian Ideal of

II. **Devotional Bible Studies.**
1. The Radiant Heart. Costen J. Harrell.
2. Songs in the Night. Mary De Bardeleben.
3. The Way of His Witnesses. Shillito.

III. **Advanced Studies.**
1. His Witnesses. Andrew Sledd.
2. The Message of Jesus. Harvey Branscomb.
3. The Teacher and the Book. Phifer.
4. The Life of Christ. Lee.
5. The Story of the Old Testament. Goodspeed.
6. The Story of the New Testament. Goodspeed.

Use any topic on this list which you have not yet studied.

Mission Study

I. The following topics have been accepted for 1937-1938:
1. The Moslem World.
2. The Church in Rural America.

II. The following books may still be used if you have not had them:
1. A Preface Toward Racial Understanding. Charles S. Johnson.
2. Out of Africa. Emory Ross.
3. Congo Crosses. Kellersburger. (Not for Council credit.)
4. Women and Home Missions. Noreen Dunn.

If you do not understanding anything about this list perhaps a card to your superintendent of study will clarify the matter.

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLIES

REPORT OF CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT OF SUPPLIES

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvelous things." Ps. 97:1.

May we, as a group of missionary women, pause this day and sing a new song unto God for He hath done marvelous things in our Supply Department. When we look at the total amount of our contributions we feel so grateful to Him for leading us in this great

work. But the sweetest part back of it all is to know that out of hearts that loved Jesus, "we have brought our gifts."

This is the day before Conference. I have not attempted to write my final report before. I have been continuously praying that God would lead me in making my farewell report.

First of all, I want to say that I thank God and you and my homefolk for this rare opportunity of service. You elected me to the office when Conference met in Shreveport five years ago. Five short years of service. How sweet the work has been. I am so glad that God can know my heart. There were others so much better equipped for office, but everything I have done has been lovingly and joyfully done. How we have prayed for God to lead us and He has never failed. We have gone from victory to victory. All praise be to Him and to you.

Supplies! It means salvation of lost souls in the final analysis. That's the ultimate goal of St. Marks, Houma and Jubilee Inn.

Dear hearts, we are living in a sin-sick world. How much longer have we to work? Is the day fast drawing near when Jesus shall come in the clouds for his own? I wonder? Are we living in the days of the Great Apostle? Are we as Christians burdened for lost souls as we should be? Are we, I wonder?

Oh, what a wonderful Savior we have. He alone can guide us through the dark places of life and give us joy and peace.

Just yesterday I was talking to a young woman who had recently turned to Jesus. She said, "My life is so different now."

How you have helped me God only knows. You have always been kind, encouraging, sympathetic and patient. I have erred many times, I'm sure, but you have helped me on.

Last year's record has been written. We shall face it before the judgment bar of God. It seems that it will be as golden thread run here and there through our great pattern of missionary activity.

What will love do? Give sacrificially of money, self and time.

A very beautiful incident occurred in our Supply Department this year. One day I received a registered package. Hurriedly I opened it and there in a soft jeweled case was a beautiful ring, a diamond. One of our most beloved missionary women had sent us this beautiful ring, valued at $300, to be sold for $150, proceeds to go to Houma. In a few months the ring was sold, and that money is in the bank today, a love gift to be used for the building of a laundry at McDonnell School. I feel that each missionary woman joins with me in saying to that precious one that we thank God for this beautiful gift of love and feel that this gift of love is a treasure that has been loved and worn through the years and will stir our hearts and we shall give until funds for building have been provided. May we pray God's richest blessings upon this dear one.

To all the auxiliaries, both large and small, I would praise you for your loyalty and generosity. You have co-operated in every way.

"Launch out into the deep." I leave with you. Oh, help us to go deeper yet in suffering, prayer and service. Lead us on, oh God, til our labor is ended and we shall gather around Thee to know Thee more perfectly and a new song.

I love the missionary women of the world but especially of our state—yesterday, today and forever. When I come down to the end of the way and look over the years to you I shall turn and say that my greatest opportunities for service have come through your hands.

The dollars you have, and will invest in supplies will bear fruit on and on. The more we give in supplies the more our workers can reach out and touch the lives of others.

Again may we thank God together for money raised for Rural Worker's car.

My report for year is as follows:

	No. Donations	Value
McDonnell School	522	$3,707.59
St. Marks	204	1,319.37
Jubilee Inn		150.00
Rural Worker's Car	113	473.02
Methodist S. S. Assembly, Biloxi, Miss.	1	5.00
Superannuate Preacher	1	5.00
	836	$5,209.98
Jubilee Inn	39	150.00
P. G. to Houma	5	180.00
P. G. to St. Marks	1	120.00
		$5,659.98

MRS. A. E. WOODARD,
Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES

WE RECOMMEND:

That our goal for the year 1937 be: Each auxiliary having a direct personal share in the missionary work of the state, by contributing supplies to St. Marks' Community Center in New Orleans, and to the McDonnell French Mission School and Wesley House in Houma, and that all auxiliaries be privileged to send supplies to Scarritt.

That auxiliaries within reasonable distance of Jubilee Inn, a

co-operative home for business girls in Shreveport, contribute food supplies to that institution.

That the Conference Superintendent of Supplies send letters of instructions quarterly to the auxiliaries giving the need of the institutions.

That cash donations be sent whenever possible.

That every auxiliary send something every quarter. Please do not fail to send because amount is so small that you think it will not help. Remember that 10 dimes make $1. Every auxiliary sending something every quarter is our goal.

MRS. A. E. WOODARD, Chairman,
MISS ELLA K. HOOPER, Secretary.

DIRECTIONS FOR SUPPLIES, 1937

Houma

Alexandria—2nd, 4th quarters.
Baton Rouge—1st, 3rd, 4th.
Lake Charles—1st, 3rd.
Monroe—1st, 2nd.
New Orleans—2nd, 4th.
Ruston—1st, 3rd, 4th.
Shreveport—1st, 2nd, 4th.

St. Mark's

Alexandria—1st, 3rd.
Baton Rouge—2nd.
Lake Charles—2nd, 4th.
Monroe—3rd, 4th.
New Orleons—1st, 3rd.
Ruston—2nd.
Shreveport—3rd.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL LIFE AND MESSAGE

"Why callest thou me Lord, and do not the things that I say?" These familiar words of our Lord bring us face to face with the realization that we have no right to call ourselves Christians unless we live in close fellowship with Him and work to bring about a changed social order that shall be really Christian.

Our Conference has made some progress this year in its plan to deepen the spiritual life of the auxiliary members. A large number have expressed the belief that the entire work of the Conference would go steadily forward should the women catch the mind of Christ and radiate Him in joyous Christian living.

Encouraging word has come to us, giving evidence that some very fine creative work has been done by the larger auxiliaries as well as by those in small communities. This is gratifying since

it is still the feeling of the Council that no very specific instructons or detailed plans be handed down to the leaders. We must continue to adopt the work to the needs of each local group, giving an opportunity for originality on the part of the leaders. One woman wrote, "It isn't definite plans that we need so much as a deeper yearning to know God's will."

Your superintendent has been busy, sending out over 400 letters and answering numerous requests for helps and suggestions. She has presented the work in a number of zone, district and local meetings and also at Officers' Training Day. She has attended the executive sessions of the Conference where every consideration was shown and the fullest co-operation pledged to further the work. In fact, special emphasis will be placed upon our spiritual life work this year. We call upon all the presidents to give us their hearty support.

The Council held a School for Christian Living to which all Conference Superintendents of Spiritual Life were invited. Your superintendent was prevented from attending but our president brought back a rich message from this outstanding meeting, which was both a Retreat and a school, where serious world problems were discussed and our responsibility to them as Christian women clearly shown.

The following are some results of the fine work done by our women:

The Quiet Hour is growing in importance and membership.

The Upper Room is being distributed in ever-increasing numbers not only to auxiliary members but to other church members, Sunday School classes, home department members, shut-ins, to school dormitories and hospitals. One auxiliary served copies as slices from a large cake, marked "Spiritual Food." Another keeps a supply in her car, to distribute as needed.

More leaders are using the Spiritual Life leaflets than ever before. Reprints have been necessary, so great has been the demand.

Prayer groups are growing in numbers, including shut-ins. Many are studying fine devotional books. Some groups have been divided when the number became too large.

Variety of methods have been used, some like the "class meeting" idea; others conduct a discussion on some subject, as "Personal Worship Experiences," etc. Hymns, pictures, poems, passages of Scripture have all been used successfully in Prayer Group services.

Many report co-operation with the pastor in various ways; providing articles for Church Bulletin, calling attention to church windows, altar, chancel, as a suggestion for meditation at church

services; conducting Wednesday night services; assisting in evangelistic campaign, etc.

Some interesting statements from letters:

"In answer to the question at a recent zone meeting as to the most outstanding accomplishment of our auxiliary this year, I replied, "Our Spiritual Life Work, undoubtedly'."

"Our Prayer Group is the brightest spot in my church life."

"The Quiet Hour is indispensible."

"It was the most vital part of our program."

"Our women are ready to co-operate but leaders have to be developed."

"I called a meeting of the Spiritual Life leaders in the city. Not one was absent. We discussed ways and means; a District Retreat; ways of conducting Prayer Groups, etc. The response was enthusiastic. I recommend such meetings."

"Blessed Retreat was held in our district. The women still talk about the blessing they received."

I thank all who have helped so nobly in the work this year and am confident that we shall continue to grow and be richer in that "heart warming experience" we all so desire. I wish we might use Hymn No. 279 as our Spiritual Life Hymn this year:

Set our feet in lofty places,
Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces
In the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
That we fail not man nor Thee.

MRS. R. E. SMITH,
Conference Superintendent Spiritual Life and Message.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

The committee is unanimous in its feeling that the Woman's Missionary Council was divinely inspired in making provisions for a Committee on Spiritual Life and Message. We know that this work is meeting a vital need in our organization.

Being in hearty accord with the policy of the Council in not making this work a matter of set reports and programs, we therefore recommend:

1. That a working Spiritual Life Group be formed in every auxiliary in the Conference this year. That in auxiliaries having circles there be a Spiritual Life representative in each circle.

2. That the Spiritual Life Group leader in every auxiliary write informally every quarter to the Conference Superintendent of Spiritual Life, informing her of the progress and activities of the group.

3. That due emphasis be given to the importance of this work at all regular meetings of each auxiliary and at all zone and district meetings.

4. That we continue to promote the distribution and use of the Upper Room.

5. That we continue to co-operate with the Pastor in his evangelistic program and to continue to work with him for a deeper reverence in all services.

6. That we urge a continued use of the Week of Prayer programs, especially emphasizing the all-day meeting.

7. That, recognizing the needs for leaders in this work, a Conference Retreat be held for the development of such leaders.

8. That an informal institute on practical plans for Spiritual Life work be held at the School for Pastors and Christian Workers at Centenary College.

9. That we commend this Conference for the fine spirit of reverence which has characterized all sessions, and recommend a like spirit in every auxiliary, zone and district meeting.

MRS. R. E. SMITH, Chairman,
MRS. GUY HICKS, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

Many changes have taken place in the past few years. Amid these changes women everywhere, regardless of racial, national or denominational differences, seem to be moving in the same direction.

Women have more freedom than ever before. With all her new freedom women will continue to marry, to bear children, to keep homes and love them all, but for the good of all she will not be subservient to any of them. In reading the gospels we find that Jesus made no distinction between the sexes. We are all, women as well as men, children of God and should fill the places we are better qualified to fill.

The women of our Conference have been studying a great deal about woman's place of service in the Church. We have had many requests for literature to be used in societies and zone meetings. The reports on this study have been very interesting.

"For as many of you as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ. There can neither be Jew or Greek; There can neither be bond or free; There can be no male or female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus." Gal. 3:27-28.

MRS. H. J. POWERS,
Chairman.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

1. That we continue to use the "Study on the Status of

Women," prepared by Mrs. T. I. Charles, in district, zone and auxiliary meetings (free from Literature Headquarters, 712 Church St., Nashville, Tenn.)

2. That the material suggested in the list of current magazine articles bearing on status of women be secured and used for program purposes (free from Literature Headquarters, 712 Church St., Nashville, Tenn.)

3. That the packet of leaflets on status of women be used in studying and promoting this work (price 15 cents, Literature Headquarters, 712 Church St., Nashville, Tenn.)

4. That we continue to ask the Executive Committee of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society to request the Presiding Bishop to allow time on the program of the annual Conference for the presentation of the woman's work.

MRS. H. J. POWERS, Chairman.
MRS. G. W. DAWSON, Secretary.

REPORT OF CANDIDATE COMMITTEE

The Conference Candidate Committee was set up last year in accordance with Council suggestions and is composed of your President, Conference Secretary, Secretary of Young Women's Circles, and the Executive Secretary of the Board of Education. The Council Sessions Committee on Candidate Work made the following recommendation this year, which was accepted, "That the Conference Candidate Committee be called together at least once a year, not only to consider prospective candidates in the Conference, but also for the consideration of what may be done toward the discovery of consecrated young women with training and experience who might be available for missionary service." The urgent need for reinforcements on the field was stressed and the following types of workers named:

1. Versatile people who can undertake different projects as needs and opportunities change.
2. Workers who can lead in interdenominational projects.
3. Head residents.
4. Young men workers for settlements and schools.

The foreign field is calling definitely for four nurses, five English teachers, seven social-evangelistic workers, two music teachers, two physical education teachers and any number of doctors and rural workers.

Those who might be interested in missionary service are asked to write some member of the Candidate Committee for further information. Marjorie Haggart was consecrated at Columbia this year, and Patricia McHugh and Helen Mandlebaum are hoping to be accepted for a second year at Scarritt.

MRS. GEORGE SEXTON, JR.

REPORT OF SCARRITT ASSOCIATES

"Scarritt Associates" is a term applied to a voluntary church-wide group of men and women interested in the ideals and aims of Scarritt College for Christian Workers, and who feel responsibility for the promotion of the program of the college, both spiritually and financially. A drive to secure such "associates" has been started throughout Southern Methodism. "Scarritt Associates" approximates the alumni of a college who give both financial and moral support to that institution. The only difference is, that "Scarritt Associates" are not graduates of the college, but friends who wish to become identified with its work. Scarritt College is a training school for Christian workers—missionaries, deaconesses, religious teachers, nurses, rural workers, etc. If it were not for Scarritt, we would not have specialists in these various fields. Splendid work like this needs the support of large numbers of people. The last session of the General Conference authorized Scarritt College to make a special effort to raise $1,000,000 throughout the church. There are two types of contributions held in mind: Large donations from members able to make such contributions, and small annual donations from "Scarritt Associates" in amounts ranging from $1 to $1,000.

Plan of Campaign for Getting "Scarritt Associates"—A special Scarritt representative was appointed in each annual Conference to conduct the campaign in her respective state. Such a representative was appointed in the Louisiana Conference. Work on the campaign was begun in July, 1936, with the following results:

Name of District:	Number of Auxiliaries in District	Members Secured	Cash Secured
Alexandria	27	1	$ 1.00
Baton Rouge	28	105	59.25
Lake Charles	31	180	41.62
Monroe	31	19	9.15
New Orleans	24	17	17.00
Ruston	36	104	29.50
Shreveport	36	69	44.00
Grand Totals	213	495	$201.52

MRS. GILMAN McCONNELL.

LOUISIANA MISSION FIELDS

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE RURAL WORK

Home visitation; making talks at misisonary society meetings and young people's programs; teaching Mission and Bible Study classes and courses in Christian Adventure Institute; directing pageant and plays; planning socials for the young people; holding local

institutes for Vacation Church School leaders; directing Vacation Church Schools; filling the pulpit in the absence of the pastor—these are some of the activities that have been carried on by your Rural Worker this year.

Some organizations have been strengthened and helped to more efficient service; a Sunday School and a Woman's Missionary Society have been reorganized and a Board of Christian Education organized.

Magazines given by a number of friends have been distributed to many homes, and cards were secured from the Louisiana Library Commission for the use of many rural families.

The supreme purpose in all the program of activities launched is to make Christianity vital in the hearts of the people and to help them to apply the teachings of Jesus to their everyday experiences, thus enabling them to have richer, fuller lives in doing the will of the Father.

S. E. NUTTALL.

REPORT OF JUBILEE INN

The true spirit of an institution cannot be put in words. It must be felt by those who cross its threshold. To have a stranger come in the Inn and say "There is an atmosphere here that is different from other places and one keenly felt," we are pleased for it must be like a home.

A home in a large city for a girl away from home is a great blessing. Jubilee Inn has been that home for nearly 50 girls during the past year. Then, as in the previous year, we found the need for more room. Many girls were disappointed because we had no room for them. Girls not only from Louisiana, but Arkansas, Mississippi and Texas, have found a place here. All the girls are engaged either in office work or attend school. Friends of auxiliaries in Louisiana and Arkansas have been good to us. Gifts for the pantry and linen closet have added enjoyment and comfort throughout the year. Some auxiliaries from Arkansas also sent gifts in checks.

Aside from the regular routine of daily life in the home, we have many diversions that are helpful and happy. A swimming party on a hot summer day not only gives recreation for the body, but an opportunity for forming friendship outside the home. A Valentine, St. Patrick's Day, or Hallowe'en Dinner in the middle of the busy week brings relaxation and joy to tired bodies. Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas with devotionals and special dinners add zeal to our spirits.

True happiness is found when service is rendered for others. We found that so true in our Christmas celebrations last Christmas. Instead of receiving all for self, we choose two little colored children

as recipients for gifts and joy. Most of the girls were so enthusiastic about their gifts and received a great blessing in providing for these needy ones.

Above all else, we strive to help girls in the development of character and spiritual life. It is a joy to hear some girl say, "I am glad you told me what you did, for it has helped me so much;" or another, "I am enjoying morning devotions more than anything else;" or yet another, when vespers have been discontinued for a week or two, "I missed vespers so much." Truly the little things encourage us as we see fine girls developing into womanhood in a wholesome and helpful manner.

MRS. MARY E. FREEMAN, Head Resident.

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MAC DONELL FRENCH MISSION SCHOOL, WESLEY COMMUNITY HOUSE, AND FRENCH RURAL WORK REPORT OF 1936.

The attendance at MacDonell School averages about 92. These boys and girls represent 20 or more different rural communities, in some of which there is organized church work, but in some they represent the church's only contact. This means inestimable potential power for righteousness and spiritual possibilities. To the extent that we are able to keep a close contact with each home and each community, thus strengthening the work with the children and keeping the home and community in touch with the growing ideals of the child. There is always, of course, a close inter-relationship between the work of MacDonell Mission and that done by the General and Conference Boards through the preachers. Though no proselyting is ever done, all of the activities are definitely and clearly Christian and related to the church we represent. A great proportion of the pupils join the Methodist Church, often bringing their whole families with them, and these boys and girls are the leadership of the near future. Indeed, many are already in places of leadership in the church and home communities.

In May, 1936, there was only one graduate, Louis Barrios. Mrs. J. A. Pharr of Berwick was the guest speaker and the occasion was one of the loveliest commencements we have ever had. The commencement sermon on Sunday was preached by Rev. Wm.

Schuhle, an honored and beloved friend of the work. This year's class numbers six.

Rarely would one find a more harmonious or consecrated group of workers than those composing the faculty at MacDonell School and at Dulac. Due to their influence and indefatigable labors there is a marked strengthening of character manifest in the student group. Two new deaconesses were added to the faculty this year by Council—Miss Susie Teel at MacDowell School and Miss Mary Beth Littlejohn at Dulac.

The increased interest in scholarships has been outstanding and has enabled us to increase the enrollment of the school adding greatly to the effectiveness of the work as a whole. Scholarships and supplies are the life of the school, and we deeply appreciate the eager, loving loyalty and sacrifices on the part of the women of the Conference, and also the gifts that have come to us from other Conferences, particularly the Little Rock and Baltimore Conferences.

As usual, MacDonell School faculty and students co-operated with several church communities in vacation Bible Schools during the summer, including Morgan City and Jeanerette.

Many of our girls had an unusual and most helpful experience last summer in being invited to visit in the homes of friends of the school. Lelia Dupre spent most of the summer with Mrs. Lamar Easterling, Jackson, Miss. The twins had a delightful visit in the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. Gallaher, Trout, La. Bertha Martin, as guest of Mrs. Lamar Baker, spent a glad two weeks in Shreveport and then she and Velia Dupre were invited to Calhoun, Ga., to visit Bertha's brother. Inez Vicknair, as guest of her friends, members of the Parker Memorial Class of Monroe, had many lovely and helpful experiences, including a stay at Camp Lassa. Other students had various brief trips, and some had the great privilege of a visit to Dulac and the chance to share in the work for the Indians there.

The days of the Retreat of the New Orleans district were "mountain top experiences" for all of us. Sweet was the Christian fellowship that both strengthened and uplifted all those who were privileged to attend.

Altogether we look back upon the experiences of 1936 as very happy ones and as marking real progress in the work. We are already happily engaged in making the new year still better.

(Signed) ELLA K. HOOPER.

MacDonell French Mission School Advisory Board

Mrs. J. A. Pharr, Berwick, President.
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Staff of Workers for 1936-37

Deaconess Ella K. Hooper, Superintendent.
Deaconess Emma Vogel, Nurse.
Deaconess Lillie J. Hendricks, Literary Supervisor and Teacher.
Deaconess Ollie Willings, Teacher and Sewing Supervisor.
Deaconess Pearlye Maye Kelley, Teacher and Recreational Leader.
Deaconess Elizabeth Covington, Music.
Deaconess Susie Teel, Teacher.
Miss Ione Gandy, Domestic Science.
Miss Annie Lampard, Teacher.
Mr. Philip P. Harden, Science and Boys' Work.
Mr. Lyle W. Martin, Teacher and Boys' Work.
Rev. C. J. Thibodaux, Farm and Rural Work.
Miss Wilhelmina Hooper, Principal Dulac Indian Work.
Deaconess Mary Beth Littlejohn, Dulac Indian Work.
Miss Pearl Neal, Librarian and Secretary.

HOUMA—SCHOLARSHIPS—1936

Alexandria, First Church—Murphy Delaune.
Alexandria, First Church and Gleaners—Helen Cantrelle.
Alexandria District—Murphy Dupre and Shirley Rogers.
Baton Rouge, First Church—Alice Marcelle.
Baton Rouge District—Ella Mae Rodrigue, Bertman Bruce.
Lake Charles Auxiliary—Esther Vicknair.
Lake Charles District, Zones 2 and 4—Lelia Dupre.
Lake Charles District, Zones 1, 3 and 5—Lela Savoie.
Crowley Auxiliary—Bessie Marcelle.
Crowley, Young Women's Circle—Oneida Hunter.
New Iberia Auxiliary—Eunice Griffin.
Monroe District—Margaret Vicknair.
Monroe, First Church—Jesse Curol.
West Monroe—Claudia Bergeron.
New Orleans District—Wilbert Kern.
New Orleans District, Zone 5—Thomas Cantrelle.
New Orleans, Rayne Memorial—Dorothy Knight.
New Orleans, Carrolton Ave.—Mabel Curol.
Ruston District—Marie McElroy.
Ruston, First Church—Odile Cantrelle.
Haynesville-Homer—Loricia Neal.

Shreveport District, Zone 1—Lydia Blanchard.
Shreveport District, Zone 2—Eula Rebouche.
Shreveport District, Zones 3 and 4—Alberta Barrilleaux.
Shreveport, Noel Memorial—Nettie Thibodaux, Lillian Rodrigue.
Shreveport, First Church and Moss Circle—Bessie Cantrelle.
Conference, Houma Day Offerings—Lillian Barrilleaux.
Monroe, Parker Memorial Class—Inez Vicknair.
Mansfield, Win One Class—Velia Dupre.
Shreveport, Mrs. Lamar Baker—Bertha Martin.

THE DULAC INDIAN MISSION

There are three distinct phases of the Indian work, that centering in the church, the school and its ramifications, and the social service and rural extension work.

The church has a membership of about 50. A much larger number attend the services but still hold membership in the Roman Catholic Church. One of the workers of McDonnell School, a local preacher, is the pastor. His once-a-month service, the once-a-month sing, and the weekly sessions of the Sunday School constitute the regular organized work. Funerals, christenings, weddings, and other special occasions afford opportunities for further evangelistic endeavors. French is the language of these Indians and the services are most often conducted in French. The church is usually filled to capacity at all of the services, except the Sunday School, where the attendance fluctuates, ranging from 5 to 50, according to the weather conditions and other factors.

The dedication of the little church, Clanton Chapel, given by Mr. T. C. Clanton of Shreveport, was a high point in the experiences of the year. Bishop Dobbs and his wife and other interested friends from Shreveport and other points of the state were present. The message of the Bishop, other messages, and the special music provided by these honored guests brought a great thrill of hope and gladness to these long-neglected neighbors. An Indian "feast" had been prepared and was served to all guests who came from a distance to the dedication.

The curriculum of the school follows that of the public schools of the state. Books and other supplies are furnished by the state. There is a day school for the children and a night school for adults. The attendance at both has been smaller than usual due to the lack of a bridge. The old bridge was destroyed about a year ago and work on a new one just begun. The day school enrollment is 40, the night school 15.

The social service work consists in house-to-house visiting, receiving in our home any callers and trying to meet any calls that come to us, and co-operation with the Parish Health Unit and other

organizations in securing needed medical and other help for the people. Within a three-mile radius of the school are 63 Indian families, about 360 persons, with whom we are in direct contact. Within this area and beyond are other families not yet reached, or reached only directly. Still farther, in the swamp sections and down towards the Gulf, are other Indian communities that we reach as opportunity affords, spending an afternoon teaching, or sometimes several days at a time. We find them always friendly and eager to share with us whatever they have, garden produce, sea foods, and wild game, as well as hand-made articles.

Most of the Indians are very poor, often with insufficient clothes for attendance at school or church. They are illiterate and helpless in times of sickness or about business matters, such as paying taxes on the boat or cabin. We are often called upon to render first aid in cases of fever, bruises, burns or cuts, and again to plan for getting a patient into Houma to see a doctor or to a hospital in cases of more desperate need.

We are among them as those who serve, meeting the needs as best we can, often giving present help in time of trouble and finding an opportunity to help them to a higher way of life, most especially pointing them to the Christ who only can meet their every need.

WILHELMINA HOOPER.
MARY BETH LITTLEJOHN.

ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER—1936

Reports of an institution such as this falls naturally under three heads: material equipment, statistical and sociological.

St. Mark's has a glowing report to make of its material achievements. A balanced budget is a source of pride to both the staff and the board. We are deeply grateful to the Louisiana Missionary Society for its liberal support, and especially do we appreciate their fourth quarter donations. Because of a special donation from Nashville, for repairs, St. Mark's is now in very good state of repair.

Statistics are so misleading and tell only part of the story. Especially is this true in an agency that has as its object to develop personality so that all may have the abundant life. For that reason I hesitate to give even a partial account of our activities.

Number of clubs	32
Number of meetings	721
Attendance	6,980
Clinic served	3,850
Attendance at public meetings, plays, lectures, music	2,214
Swimming pool	2,849
Game room	1,228

The most difficult evaluation to make of year's work is in human relationships. Yet that is our real field of endeavor. Each class, each club and every activity is a means to an end—and that end is to help people to grow in ability to live in peace and harmony with his fellow man; to develop a respect for personality; and to share our vision (though very imperfect) of God's great plan for the children of men.

Much joy has come to the five deaconesses as we have worked in the church, as well as in our appointments made to us by the Woman's Missionary Council. Three of us head up divisions in the Church School; two head up departments. All of us teach a class on Sunday. One directs the choir, and all work in the evening fellowship services of the young people and the young adults. Thirty of the 50 members who joined the church at Easter came through the three departments of the Church School.

None of us have kept count of the talks we have made in missionary meetings or prayer meetings. We only know they have meant much to us in fellowship.

Our work is so diversified that often we are pressed to know how to evaluate the different activities. But we do know that "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

MARGARET YOUNG, Head Resident.

Executive Committee

President—Mrs. L. D. Chaffee, 1920 Audubon St.

Vice-President—Mrs. Lewis S. Clarke, 1617 Peniston.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. H. P. Shallcross, 1209 Fern.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. Mandelbaum, 1027 N. Rampart.

Treasurer—Mrs. L. M. Carre, 1520 Burdette.

Staff

Deaconess Margaret Young—Head Resident.

Deaconess Julia Sargent—Music and Dramatics.

Deaconess Verna Webster—Girls' Clubs.

Deaconess Julia Southard—Boys' Clubs.

Miss Georgia Bates, R. N.—Nurse.

DEPARTMENT OF LAWS

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SOCIETY

Classification of Laws

1. Special Rules.
2. Standing Rules.
3. By-Laws.
4. That these terms be defined as follows:

(1) A rule for one year or expiring with the emergency which called it into being shall be known as a special rule.

(2) A special rule, which by a majority vote of the body is made permanent shall be known as a standing rule. A standing rule shall remain in force until amended or rescinded.

(3) A by-law is a law created by the body that is as binding on all the body and its agencies as is the constitution. Being created by the body, it may be rescinded at the will of the body. An amendment to the by-laws must be ratified by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.

BY-LAWS ADOPTED BY LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Note—Constitution and by-laws for all Conference Societies will be found in the Hand Book.

1. Election of officers shall take place biennially.
2. When vacancies among officers or standing committees occur during the year, they shall be filled by the Executive Committee until the next annual session of the Conference. At that time the office shall be filled by election.
3. All minutes of the Conference shall be signed by the President.
4. The Treasurer may disburse without order from President and Conference Secretary the quarterly expense money for officers, superintendents and secretaries. She shall send quarterly itemized statements to the Conference Secretary, President and District Secretaries.
5. The Superintendent of Literature and Publicity shall be responsible for the promotion of the World Outlook and the Louisiana News. She shall appoint with the approval of the Executive Committee, the Editor of the News.
6. The Superintendent of Supplies shall report quarterly to the Home Cultivation Secretary in charge of organization and to the Conference Secretary.
7. Districts may be divided into zones, according to their size, A leader for each zone shall be appointed by January 1 by the District Secretary, subject to the approval of the Conference Secretary. The zone leaders shall hold meetings quarterly in their zones. A collection may be taken at each meeting. After the expense of the meeting is paid the leader shall send the remainder to the Conference Treasurer, stating the amount and from what zone.
8. Fifty cents per member shall be set aside by the Treasurer for Conference Expense fund. Membership to be based on enrollment December 31 of preceeding year. Expenses of officers, Editor of Louisiana Misionary News, speakers at annual meetings and Mid-Term Executive meeting, shall be paid from the Conference Expense fund. All money in the

fund at the end of fiscal year over the amount necessary to adequately carry on the Conference work shall revert to the general fund.

9. At each annual and district meeting public collections shall be taken for the Conference work and amounts forwarded to the Conference Treasurer. The District Secretary may pay the expense of one outside guest to the district meeting before remitting to the Treasurer.

10. The Treasurer shall advance each quarter for office expense the following amounts: To President, Vice-President, Superintendents Young Women's Groups and Mission and Bible Study, $7.50 each; to Conference Secretary, $12.50; Superintendents of Supplies, Christian Social Relations, Children's Work, $10.00 each; District Secretaries, $5.00 each; Distributor of Literature, $20.00; to Treasurer, $20.00 per month. Postage expense shall be allowed all chairmen of Conference Committees.

11. A half-hour of each forenoon during the Annual Meeting of the Conference shall be devoted to Bible study and worship.

12. There shall be a Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and call attention to any overlapping, conflicting, unnecessary items. It shall prepare for use under proper heading in the Annal Report a copy of the Standing Rules and Rules of Order. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

13. There shall be a Standing Committee on Finance. It shall be the duty of this committee to study the financial needs of the Conference and plan ways to raise money to meet these needs. It shall make an annual report to the Conference Society of its work. The chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

14. All proposed changes to the by-laws shall be sent to the Committee on Constitution and by-laws 30 days before the annual meeting of the Conference, and typed copies shall be made for distribution to the delegates.

15. There shall be a Candidate Committee composed of the President, Conference Secretary, and Superintendent of Young Women's Circles. It shall be the duty of this committee to interview those interested in preparing for definite Christian service.

16. The committee on Rural Work shall be composed of the Chairman in charge of rural development, the Secretary

and other Conference Officers in the District where worker is located. It shall be the duty of this committee to direct the rural work of the Conference; supervise the employed rural worker; promote daily Vacation Church Schools; encourage zone work in co-operation with District Secretaries and Gibson work. A quarterly report of the Rural Worker shall be sent the Conference Superintendent of Christian Social Relations.

17. The duties of the Conference Reporter shall be added to the regular duties of the Recording Secretary.

STANDING RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

Art. 1.—

A letter of introduction shall be issued to the member of the Missionary Society moving from one church to another.

Art. 2.—

Scholarship shall not be granted for Home or Foreign Mission work by Council or Conference, to young women who do not meet the educational requirements adopted by the Council.

Art. 3.—

Application for all specials shall be made through the Conference Secretary.

Art. 4.—

All communications from Conference Officers, such as circular letters, literature, et cetera, must go direct to auxiliary officers of corresponding office, instead of through District Secretaries.

Art. 5.—

The retiring District Secretary shall plan as far as possible, and if necessary, hold the first district meeting after Conference. The District Secretary will be allowed expense money to attend one meeting a year in each of the zones in her district.

Art. 6.—

A committee shall be appointed to approve the minutes of each meeting of the Conference session.

Art. 7.—

Standing Committees shall meet for organization before leaving the place of meeting of the Conference. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum.

Art. 8.—

In each Conference Society a committee of three, one of whom shall be the Conference Secretary, shall be elected to visit the home institutions within its boundary and co-operate with them for the advancement of their work. An expense account may be presented when necessary.

Art. 9.—

Typists shall be supplied at Conference for the writing of committee reports.

Art. 10.—

When a Young Woman's Circle shall have been organized two years that circle shall no longer go by the title of Young Woman's Circle, but a new circle of young women shall be formed, having as a nucleus all old members under 25 years of age.

RULES OF ORDER

Art. 1.—

Each meeting shall open and close with a religious service.

Art. 2.—

All resolutions shall be presented in writing and signed by two members.

Art. 3.—

No member shall receive recognition unless she rise to address the chair.

Art. 4.—

Courtesies shall be limited to the 10 minutes before noon devotional service.

STANDING RULES FOR ADULT AUXILIARIES

1. All auxiliaries shall hold their business meetings the first week of the month, if advisable.

2. The week beginning with the first Sunday in November shall be observed as a Week of Prayer.

3. No new auxiliary can be reported until a quarterly report has been sent to the Conference Treasurer and District Secretary.

4. Each auxiliary shall pay $4.00 per year for Scarritt Maintenance Fund.

5. In order that the auxiliary entertaining the Annual Conference may not be deprived of the benefits of the meeting, a luncheon shall be served by an outside agency, at a price not to exceed 50 cents per plate.

5. In case any auxiliary is not sending a member as delegate to the Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society, that auxiliary may elect its zone leader to serve in that capacity, and may also assist in paying her expenses.

7. One-fourth of the membership of the auxiliary shall constitute a quorum for the election of officers.

8. The president of the auxiliary shall be responsible for the calling of an executive meeting the last of each quarter, at which time the reports should be made out and mailed to the Conference Officers.

9. Each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary shall send the

total amount pledged to the District Secretary, not later than February 1, and the Memorial Roll not later than March 10.

10. Representation at Annual Meetings shall be one delegate for each 60 members or fraction thereof. This entitles each auxiliary, however small, to one delegate.

HOW AND WHEN TO REPORT

Officers of the auxiliaries shall comply with rules governing reporting on page 18, 1934 Hand Book.

RULES FOR DELEGATES

1. Thirty days before the Annual Conference, the Conference Recording Secretary shall send to the president of each auxiliary in the Conference registration cards, which she shall fill in with names of delegates, and with check covering luncheons and mail immediately to Chairman of Registration in auxiliary entertaining the Conference.

2. Delegates should go to the Annual Session of the Conference Society in the spirit of prayer, bearing in mind that the service is for the King of Glory, and that the work must be done in reverence and love for Him who died that we might have everlasting life.

3. The delegate selected to represent her society at a public meeting should go, unless prevented by some serious providence.

4. She should familiarize herself with the minutes of the preceeding annual meeting and with the latest Council minutes, and carry a copy of each for reference.

5. Delegates shall remain until the end of the meeting, unless prevented by illness or excused by the chair.

6. The delegates shall attend every business and religious meeting with as much promptness as possible, and shall occupy at each business meeting the seats assigned them at the time of organization.

7. Each delegate shall have a credential card, properly filled out and signed by the Recording Secretary and President of her local auxiliary.

8. She should have a pencil and tablet, note all the proceedings, and prepare a good report for the society that she represents, not merely saying, "We had a good meeting," but tell why and how it was beneficial.

9. She should report to her auxiliary at the first meeting after her return home, calling attention to all resolutions and plans proposed at the meeting, and urge her auxiliary to act upon them.

10. She should give out all the information and enthusiasm she can, to inspire those who did not go, and do all in the spirit of prayer.

INFORMATION—ADULT DEPARTMENT

WHAT YOU NEED	WHERE TO GET IT
I.—Adult— a Conference Year Book and Minutes. b Monthly Bulletin from Council. c "Louisiana News." If you do not receive your literature write to d Report subscriptions to World Outlook—$1.00 per year, (containing material for programs) to	Mrs. G. W. Dameron, 2520 Vance St., Alexandria, La.
II.— Order "World Outlook" from	"World Outlook," 706 Church St., Nashville, Tenn.
III.— a New Hand Book for Adult Missionary Societies— b Adult Year Book (Aux. programs). c Council 1937 Report. d Record and Report Books for— 1. Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary, 35c. 2. Auxiliary Treasurer, 35c. Adult Set (two above), 65c. e Pledge Cards, Charter Leaflets, etc. Plays, Demonstrations. Literature on Status of Women. Prices given on request.	Literature Department, 706 Church St. Nashville, Tenn. (Money orders, checks, if possible, accompany orders). Stamps, if sent, will be returned.

IV.—Mission Study Books— For courses recommended see page "Bible and Mission Study." For information, write Mrs. S. M. Collins, 500 Hudson Lane, Monroe, La.	Methodist Publishing House, 510 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., or Dallas, Texas.
V.— Hand Book and information on Christian Social Relations.	Mrs. D. C. Metcalf, West Monroe, La.
VI.—Financial Expansion— Auxiliary Pledge. Life Memberships. Memorial Roll Members. Scarritt Maintenance	Mrs. W. H. Martin, Plain Dealing, La.
VII.—General Information— Conference Year Book and Minutes. Simplified Literature.	Your District Secretary or Conference Secretary.
VIII.—Rural Work— Zone Plans. Daily Vacation Bible Schools.	Mrs. W. E. Fine, Homer, La.
IX.— Spiritual Cultivation Plans.	Mrs. R. E. Smith, 451 Kings Highway, Shreveport, La.

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ROSTER OF ZONE LEADERS AND AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS

ACCORDING TO ZONES AND DISTRICTS

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Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
Montrose	Mrs. J. C. Parrott	Montrose
Natchitoches	Mrs. W. M. Woodyard	Natchitoches
Oak Grove	Mrs. Birtye Gray, Rt. 2	Natchitoches
Pleasant Hill	Mrs. W. H. Moseley	Pleasant Hill
Robeline	Mrs. Moses	Robeline

Zone 2—Leader, Mrs. Fred McRight, Glenmora.

Alexandria	Mrs. Tom Owen, Box 388	Alexandria
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Boyce	Mrs. E. Tower	Boyce
Colfax	Mrs. C. M. Carnahan	Colfax
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Lecompte	Mrs. E. Thomae	Lecompte
Montgomery	Mrs. J. I. McCain	Montgomery
Pineville	Mrs. P. H. Oneal, c-o Oneal Bros.	Alexandria

Zone 3—Leader, Mrs. W. H. Parker, Jr., Bunkie.

Bunkie	Mrs. F. Williams	Bunkie
Marksville	Mrs. G. A. LaGrange	Marksville
Melville	Mrs. H. E. Zerangue	Melville
Opelousas	Mrs. Felix Dezauche	Opelousas
Palmetto	Mrs. G. A. McDaniel	Palmetto
White Chapel	Mrs. Willie Campbell, Rt. 3	Bunkie

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Grayson	Mrs. J. Anding	Grayson
Olla	Mrs. Homer Gwin	Olla
Rochelle	Mrs. H. O. Baker	Rochelle
Tullos	Mrs. E. R. Brewer	Tullos
Winnfield	Mrs. Willie Gaar	Winnfield

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Good Pine	Mrs. Kelly	Good Pine
Harrisonburg	Mrs. Ada Scott	Harrisonburg
Jena	Mrs. O. J. Evans	Jena
Jonesville	Mrs. O. V. Hooker	Jonesville
Sicily Island	Mrs. W. S. Peck	Sicily Island
Trout	Mrs. H. N. Tannehill	Trout
Trout Rural Society	Mrs. Maude Turnley, R.F.D.	Trout

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

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Istrouma, Baton Rouge	Mrs. V. A. Beasley	Route 4, Baton Rouge
Lottie	Mrs. A. N. Smith	Blanks
Plaquemine	Mrs. J. S. Darby	Plaquemine
Rosedale	Mrs. W. S. Row	Rosedale
Slaughter	Mrs. J. I. Law	Bass
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Angie	Mrs. George Stafford	Angie
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Kentwood	Mrs. Ralph Napier	Kentwood
Greensburg	Mrs. R. A. Bozeman	Greensburg
Wesley Chapel	Mrs. E. B. McLean	Darlington

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Baker	Mrs. Norman Nichols	Baker
Blackwater	Mrs. E. T. Keowen	Baker, Rt. 1
Deerford	Miss Lola Hunt	Zachary
Denham Springs	Mrs. G. B. Caldwell	Denham Springs
Live Oak	Mrs. B. L. Kinchen	Watson
Walker	Mrs. Elgene Watson	Walker

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Natalbany	Mrs. J. P. Bonnecarre	Natalbany
Ponchatoula	Mrs. Sam Yawn	Ponchatoula
Springfield	Mrs. H. T. Bailey	Springfield
Lees Landing	Mrs. Loretta Raiford	Ponchatoula, Rt. 1
Wesley Chapel	Miss Lizzie Howes	Ponchatoula, Rt. 1

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Jackson	Mrs. I. G. Gayden	Gurley

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St. Francisville	Mrs. N. B. Riddle	St. Francisville

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Zone 1—Leader, Mrs. D. B. Boddie, Sulphur

Auxiliaries	Presidents	Address
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Grand Chenier	Mrs. J. P. Jones	Grand Chenier
Lake Charles	Mrs. J. L. Farque	Lake Charles
Sulphur	Mrs. J. B. Mouton	Sulphur
Vinton	Mrs. T. W. Thomas	Vinton

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New Iberia	Mrs. A. C. LaSalle	New Iberia
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Prospect	Mrs. Jesse Sandel	Sandel
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Lake Arthur	Mrs. E. A. Doland	Lake Arthur
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MONROE DISTRICT

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Auxiliaries	Presidents	Addresses
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Marion	Mrs. J. E. Roark	Marion
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Sterlington	Mrs. G. Wright	Sterlington
Swartz	Mrs. A. G. Anding	Swartz
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Tallulah	Mrs. A. C. Thomason	Tallulah

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Ct. Marks.....Mrs. M. E. Mandlebaum, 1927 N. Rampart, N. O.

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Covington.....Mrs. J. T. Jackson.....Covington
Pearl River.....Miss Gertrude Svendson.....Pearl River
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Franklin.....Mrs. C. C. Wier.....Franklin
Houma.....Mrs. L. E. Deacon.....Houma
Morgan City.....Mrs. John A. Pharr.....Berwick

RUSTON DISTRICT

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Dubach	Mrs. Carl Lewis	Dubach
Farmerville	Mrs. Maurice Baxter	Farmerville
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Homer	Mrs. Henry Horton	Homer
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Choudrant.....Mrs. D. E. Ford.....Choudrant
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